

SECURITY INFORMATION - TOP SECRET

SECRET  
ORIGINATOR:

COUNTRY:

GERMANY

TITLE:

Youth Organisation

LCFROML

SYNOPSIS:

(Unabhängige Freie Deutsche Jugend) (Independent Free German Youth) (UFDJ)

DESCRIPTION OF LOCATION OF PRODUCTION AND DISTRIBUTION FACILITIES:

An anti-Communist youth organization, made up of defectors from the FDJ and the communist party. The group utilizes West German commercial printing houses for propaganda production, but personally undertakes distribution. At present there is a nucleus of 25 members.

DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT:

Leaflets, posters, and call painting action directed primarily at ~~the~~ FDJ members, industrial workers, and communist fronts. Texts are direct and attempt to unmask the false facade of Moscow sponsored peace fronts, labor groups and particularly the FDJ.

DESCRIPTION OF LOCATION OF PRODUCTION:

Targets are primarily the West German FDJ, and West German industrial workers.

REQUIREMENTS FOR COVER FACILITY:

No cover is necessary since the UFDJ is an overt organization. *This document is part of an integrated file. If separated from the file it must be subjected to individual systematic review.*

UFDJ membership is completely unwitting.

STATEMENT OF COVER POLICY:

Output is ~~entirely~~ outspokenly anti-Communist, attempts to unmask the FDJ as an instrument of the Kremlin.

STATEMENT OF NUMBER AND EXTENT OF CIA CONTROL OR INTERFERENCE:

Control is exercised through the principal ~~agent~~ agent in response to briefings by the CIA case officer. As an officer of the FDJ the principal agent, ~~XXXXXXXXXXXX~~, gives advice and financial support to the leadership of the UFDJ.

HOW CAN FIELD CASE OFFICER GET LINE HEARD UP? DESCRIBE THE METHOD:

Since a line would have to pass through the hands of several parties, principal agent, leader of UFDJ, printer, etc, it would seem to require three to four days to get a UFDJ items in print after instructions to that effect from the case officer.

REMARKS ON THE SUBJECT:

Presumably the UFDJ would have little or no appeal to rightist inclined youths, on the other hand by virtue of the collective past experience of its membership it should be useful in disrupting the FDJ and winning the support of young industrial workers.

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COUNTRY: GERMANY

TYPE: Periodical

NAME: Informationsdienst (Information Service)

CLASSIFICATION: DISSEMINATION (X) HAND CATCH ONLY ( ) DECLASSIFICATION ONLY ( )

DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION OF PRODUCTION AND DISTRIBUTION FACILITIES:  
Informationsdienst is the overt illustrated monthly publication of the BDJ. In addition to this organ the average monthly propaganda production of the BDJ is 250,000 items including posters, leaflets, pamphlets, brochures, and stickers.

DESCRIPTION OF SUBJECT:  
See above.

DISSEMINATION AND LOCATION OF RECIPIENTS:  
West German youth form the chief target, but some of the material is aimed at the populace in general, and some is distributed in East Germany.

REQUIREMENTS FOR COVER FACILITY:  
No cover required, the monthly periodical and the other items are overt publications of the BDJ.

REFERENCES TO A.C.S. AND CIA ENTER ST? AND COMING, IN WHAT WAY, AND TO WHAT EXTENT?  
See LCPROWL p.1

REQUIREMENTS FOR COVER FACILITY:  
Publications follow the same policy as the BDJ organization. This document is part of an integrated file. If separated from the file it must be subjected to individual systematic review.

DESCRIPTION OF NUMBER AND EXTENT OF CIA CONTROL OR INTERFERENCE:  
CIA maintains strict control through financial backing of the BDJ and ideological guidance of the principal agent.

HOW SOON CAN FIELD CASE OFFICER GET A NEW ITEM SET UP? DISSEMINATION AND NOTICE:  
This depends upon the type of media desired by the case officer. If he is content with a simple poster 24 hours notice should suffice. If he wishes more elaborate coverage naturally more time will be required.

REQUIREMENTS FOR COVER FACILITY:  
The BDJ can carry out extensive poster or leaflet actions on very short notice. Demonstrations and meetings can also be staged on CIA request.

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## PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSET - PROPAGANDA

COUNTRY: GERMANY

TYPE: Organization

PROJECT  
CRYPTONYM: LCPROWL

NAME: Widerstandskreise der Deutschen Jugend in der Sowjetzone (Resistance Groups of German Youth in the Soviet Zone (WKS))

PRODUCTION &amp; DISTRIBUTION (X) PRODUCTION ONLY ( ) DISTRIBUTION ONLY ( )

## DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION OF PRODUCTION AND DISTRIBUTION FACILITIES:

The WKS now has 450 members organized in 89 cities and towns in all of the Länder of the East German State. In addition there are eight covert psychological warfare cells capable of producing material inside the German Democratic Republic.

## DESCRIPTION OF OUTPUT:

For the most part output has been confined to materials (posters, leaflets, stickers) produced in West Germany by the BDJ and distributed in turn by the WKS. This distribution has run from 7,000 - 10,000 items per month. The WKS has contacts in the Volkspolizei and the FDJ who can and have in the past supplied information which the BDJ has exploited ~~XXXX~~ for propaganda purposes. WKS files contain the addresses of 15,000 potential contacts. These persons are supplied with WKS material as often as possible.

## DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION OF AUDIENCE:

East German population, but particularly members of the FDJ and VP.

## PROPRIETOR AND/OR COVER FACILITY:

No cover, the organization is strictly covert.

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WITTING AS TO U.S. AND CIA INTEREST? INDICATE WHO, IN WHAT WAY, AND TO WHAT EXTENT:  
Leadership and membership of the WKS are unwitting.

## EDITORIAL AND OTHER POLICY:

Content is anti-communist, attempts to encourage and promote a spirit of resistance to the Soviet sponsored East German regime.

## DESCRIPTION OF MANNER AND EXTENT OF CIA CONTROL OR INFLUENCE:

CIA control is maintained through briefings of the principal agent of the BDJ, who in turn passes down guidance and financial support to the leadership of the WKS through the executive committee of the BDJ.

## HOW MUCH CAN FIELD CASE OFFICER GET A LINE PICKED UP? DESCRIBE AND EXPLAIN:

Since a line must pass through at least one, and more often than not two intermediaries it would seem to require at least one week from the time the case officer handed down a line until it appeared in the output of distribution of a WKS item.

## SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS AND LIMITATIONS:

The WKS is limited by the security measures imposed in the East German state, and the stringent border measures which impede the flow of western produced material to the WKS distribution system.

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PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSET - ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~  
POLITICAL ACTION

PROJECT  
CRYPTONYM: LCPROWL

COUNTRY: GERMANY

TYPE: Covert Youth Organisation

NAME: Widerstandskreise der Deutschen Jugend in der Sowjetzone (Resistance Groups of German Youth in the Soviet Zone) (WKS)

**DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION:**

The WKS has 450 members organized in local groups in 89 cities and town throughout the Laender of the German Democratic Republic. Headquarters are located in the offices of the West Berlin Chapter of the BDJ, and from this point guidance and propaganda materials are received from the national leadership of the BDJ. In addition the WKS now has eight covert psychological warfare cells capable of ~~XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX~~ producing and distributing propaganda material inside the GDR. The WKS has contacts within the Volkspolizei and the Freie Deutsche Jugend (FDJ).

**PURPOSE (INCLUDE PERTINENT FACTS AS TO WHY ASSET WAS DEVELOPED; INDICATE HOW IT IS USED):**

The WKS was developed in order to channel the anti-Communist sentiments of East German youth, and to keep alive the spirit of resistance to the Soviets in that area, thus assuring the populace that they are not forgotten by the West.

**EFFECT AND NATURE OF ASSET'S INFLUENCE:**

Since the target of this group is the East German populace it is almost impossible to judge the effect of WKS produced and distributed material. The mere fact that there is such an organization, and that it was capable of distributing some 20,000 pieces of propaganda in East Germany during a three month period must be regarded as some measure of its effectiveness.

**DEGREE OF COVERT:**

In East Germany the organization is strictly covert.

**DEGREE OF U.S. AND CIA INTEREST? INDICATE WHO, IN WHAT WAY, AND TO WHAT DEGREE:**

The leaders and membership of the WKS are completely unwitting.

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**DEGREE OF CONTROL AND EXTENT OF CIA CONTROL OR INFLUENCE (INCLUDE HOW ASSET WAS DEVELOPED):**

CIA control is maintained through briefings of the principal agent of the BDJ, who in turn passes down guidance and financial support to the leadership of the WKS through the executive committee of the BDJ. The asset was developed through the efforts of contacts of the principal agent of the BDJ, and forms the East German division of the overt organization.

**SPECIFIC LIMITATIONS ON USE:**

The activities of the WKS are limited by the security controls of the East German state, and the knowledge that compromise could mean long imprisonment to its members. The increased severity of border controls will increase the problem of distributing West German-produced propaganda materials in East Germany by the WKS.

**FOR WHAT ADDITIONAL PURPOSES COULD ASSET BE USED? EXPLAIN:**

The WKS might be able to provide a manpower pool for the recruitment of reliable paramilitary personnel, or agents for positive intelligence gathering purposes.

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PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSET - POLITICAL LEAGUE

COUNTRY: GERMANY

TYPE: Youth Organization

PROGRAM  
CRYPTIC: LICPROWL

NAME: Bund Deutscher Jugend (League of German Youth) (BDJ)

**DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION:** The BDJ is a mass youth organization with 11,200 members in 10 West German Länder and West Berlin. The organization is outspokenly anti-Communist, has recently taken a strong stand against radicals of the right, and in general endorses a supra-party program designed to appeal to a wide group of young Germans. In the German Democratic Republic the BDJ is known as the Widerstandskreise der Deutschen Jugend in der Sowjetzone (Resistance Circles of German Youth in the Soviet Zone) (WKS). The executive committee of the BDJ also controls the program and activity of the anti-Communist splinter Unabhängige Freie Deutsche Jugend (Independent Free German Youth) (UFDJ).

**PURPOSE (INCLUDE PERTINENT FACTS AS TO WHY ASSET WAS DEVELOPED; INDICATE HOW IT IS USED):**  
The BDJ was developed in order to afford CIA a strong political warfare arm, and to serve as a pool for the recruitment of para-military personnel. The organization is used to hold rallies, assemblies, and public meetings in support of U.S. policy aims. Poster actions, pamphlets, & leaflets are produced and distributed towards the same end.

**CONTENT AND NATURE OF ASSET'S INFLUENCE:**

Letters and official encouragement from the Bonn government and favorable West German press coverage indicate the BDJ is winning acceptance from those quarters. The Communist press issues a continuing stream of invective against the BDJ while the Communist youth group, the FDJ, has spared no effort to frustrate the program of the BDJ.

**DESCRIPTION OF COVER:**

Since the BDJ is an overt youth organization it requires no special cover. Ostensibly funds are derived from organizational dues, and anti-Communist West German industrialists. The case officer poses as the spokesman for a private international organization supported by private sources in the United States. As a matter of record the Communist press has charged that the BDJ is supported by Rheinisch industrialists.

**SETTING AS TO U.S. AND CIA INTEREST? INDICATE WHY, IN WHAT WAY, AND TO WHAT EXTENT:**

The principal agent realizes there is American interest in the BDJ, and he may suspect by now that it is official in character, but he cannot prove this. The principal agent is the sole link between CIA and the BDJ.

**DESCRIPTION OF MANNER AND EXTENT OF CIA CONTROL OR INFLUENCE (INCLUDE PERTINENT FACTS AS TO HOW ASSET WAS DEVELOPED):**

CIA exercises financial control of the organization through the case officer. The principal agent voluntarily seeks ideological and policy guidance, and has followed the suggestions of his CIA case officer. The principal agent was the founder of the organization, and has been subject to CIA control since the inception of the organization almost two years ago.

**SPECIFIC LIMITATIONS ON USE:**

In response to CIA directives the BDJ has taken an uncompromising stand in favor of European unity, West German participation in the EDC, and in general the program of the present West German government. This positive stand has alienated the Socialists who refuse to cooperate with the BDJ in the struggle against Communism.

**FOR WHAT ADDITIONAL PURPOSES COULD ASSET BE USED? EXPLAIN:**

The BDJ carries out a full and active program. It is doubtful whether or not they could be utilized for any additional CIA purposes without revealing the interest of the United States.

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