

SE Albanian Program - A Brief Historical Resume

1. An Albanian Program, designed to subvert Communist control of this satellite, was approved in the summer of 1949 as a coordinated undertaking with the British Service. Albania was at the time serving as a base for guerrilla warfare against Greece. Abatement of the Greek civil war and changes in U.S. and British policy toward Albania as a result of other international developments modified downwards the scope of this program to the following:

a. To reduce the value of Albania to the Soviets by the persistent undermining of the Communist position and by harassing the Hoxha regime with domestic difficulties.

b. To fortify the hope of liberation among the Albanian people and to foster their will to resist Communism.

c. To create a clandestine organization within the country for the implementation of U.S. policy toward Albania and the Soviet orbit, and to provide a foundation for a liberation movement to be activated when it is politically and strategically desirable.

2. In order to achieve the above objectives a National Committee for a Free Albania was created in the second half of 1949 to serve as a cover for both overt and covert activities. In the spring of 1950 an Albanian Guard Company was formed in Germany to serve as an agent pool. During the summer of that year three GPC teams were selected, trained, and parachuted into Albania in November. In the fall of 1950 publication of the Albanian propaganda newspaper was initiated by the Albanian National Committee and the first propaganda leaflet flights over Albania were mounted. During 1951 seven agent teams were selected on the basis of recommendations made by the National Committee and were infiltrated. These teams established contacts and successfully obtained considerable operational information. Propaganda activities were expanded to include an effective clandestine radio station, and distribution of the propaganda newspaper was extended by the printing of a miniature edition to be dropped from aircraft.

3. Over the period of the last three years effective action has been taken by means of agent operations, and propaganda campaigns, including numerous leaflet drops, which has resulted in creating a state of internal confusion in Albania and has contributed to preventing the use of this outpost by the Soviets as an effective base for subversive activities against Greece and Yugoslavia.

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FY 1953 PROGRAM

Albania
(Country)

BGF IEND
(Cryptonym)

[(Budget)]

1. Based upon present capabilities for operations against Albania
(Country)

FY 1953 goals for BGF IEND have been established as follows:
(Cryptonym)

a. In the field of political action, to weaken by all available means the internal position of the Hoxha regime while conversely strengthening the relative political position of the National Committee for a Free Albania (NCFA).

b. In the field of agent operations, systematically to develop one or more small secure underground nets aimed at penetration of the Army and the Government. These nets will be gradually developed and expanded with the ultimate goal of undermining the Government and creating a resistance potential to be used in event of war or revolution. Among the important corollary missions given agent teams are establishment of E&E nets, safe-houses and development of the project PW campaign inside the country. Recruiting agent personnel and intelligence collection (coordinated with OSO) are additional functions assigned to each team. Furthermore, certain teams will be given the task of sabotaging carefully selected targets, while others will be sent into Albania to perform coup de main operations. In connection with the above mentioned sabotage operations, study of appropriate targets and possible coup de main operations is being conducted with the view in mind of establishing a priority list for both cold war and hot war conditions.

2. Assets for the accomplishment of these goals are as follows:

a. Personnel

OVERSEAS

	<u>Operations</u>	<u>Intelligence</u>	<u>Liaison</u>	<u>PI</u>	<u>Clerical</u>	<u>In Process</u>	<u>Total</u>
Staff Personnel	7	3	1	2	4	1	18
Contract Personnel	2		1	1		4	8
							2

HEADQUARTERS

Staff Personnel	3	1	1	1	2	2	10
							1
							3

b. Physical facilities

(1) A Headquarters in Athens which includes office space, a safe-house, a broadcasting studio, a 1/2 KW covert transmitter and air support.


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facilities including the use of two covert planes.

(2) Subordinate field facilities including:

- At Munich - a safe-house
-  - a safe-house
- a covert office
- At Frankfurt - a covert office

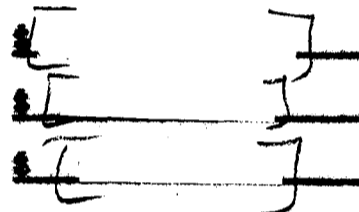
c. Agents under control - 32

<u>In Field</u>	<u>Awaiting Infiltration and in Training</u>	<u>Awaiting Clearance</u>	<u>Total</u>
8	10	14	32

In addition we are working with 35 members of NCPA on the various activities undertaken by the Committee at our direction, such as publication of the newspaper and a news bulletin, preparation of radio broadcasts, recruiting, and welfare activities. A guard Company is established in Germany and presently over 200 Albanians are enrolled, but this group is not regarded as a source of operational personnel.

d. Material on hand

- (1) Purchased with FY 1952 funds
- (2) Purchased in prior fiscal years



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A. PERSONNEL REQUIREMENTS

Staff Employees: Included in the sum allotted under this category is money for limited overseas travel of some Headquarters personnel.

Agents: This covers payment of indigenous personnel and their movement by both overt and covert means, and travel by members of NCPA.

Detailed Personnel: Military Personnel detailed to the Project.

Miscellaneous: Contract agents, one of whom has heavy operational expenses which are partially paid by this sum.

B. SUPPLIES, MATERIAL, AND EQUIPMENT (INCLUDING TRANSPORTATION CHARGES)

Commo: Monitoring and recording machines.

Medical: NCPA and agent health needs; special operational medical supplies; concentrated food.

Ordnance: Arms and ammunition to round out and replenish stocks to support potential force of 4,000.

Quartermaster Supplies: Establishment and maintenance of training site; food for training establishments and safe houses; vehicles and their maintenance.

Special Devices: Personnel balloons; limpets; throw-away radios; development costs for propaganda supply drops; parachutes, supplies and containers for propaganda supply drops.

Other Supplies: Albanian Lek.

Other Equipment: Printing press; multilith machine.

C. OTHER OPERATIONAL EXPENSES

Printing and shipment of propaganda leaflets; printing and distribution of News Bulletin; operational expenses for NCPA such as radio monitoring, payment for information, etc.

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