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1. The five projects covering the Albanian operations formerly included under OBOPUS were all approved on 16 July 1954.
2. For your information, the even-numbered pages of all of these projects are attached. The odd-numbered pages will be forwarded separately. For ease in identifying the projects, they have been given alphabetical designations to correspond with the listing in paragraph 1 of reference.
3. We would be happy to receive any comments the field may have on these projects.

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Project A

1. OBJECTIVE:

This project has as its aim the maintenance of the HTNEIGH as an overt vehicle for PP and PM covert activities against Albania.

2. ORIGIN AND POLICY GUIDANCE:

- a. Origin. BHFILND Project Outline approved 22 June 1949. Country Plan for Albania, Operations Annex B, Tab C-Political Warfare Operations.
- b. Whence proposed. Project originated in Headquarters.

3. SITUATION:

Since 1948, when the Tito regime broke with the Kremlin, Albania has been isolated from direct land connection with the other Soviet satellites. This, in addition to the ruggedness of the terrain and the tradition of clandestine activity by the Albanians, particularly the mountain tribesmen in the north, appeared to make Albania a promising target for clandestine activity aimed at the eventual overthrow of the present Communist regime. The presence of a considerable number of Albanian refugees in Europe suggested the development of a political center outside Albania composed of representatives of non-totalitarian elements, sympathetic with U.S. policy objectives in the Balkans, to serve as a rallying point for anti-Communist elements inside Albania. SMYQPIA and KURARK in the summer of 1949 were responsible for the formation of the HTNEIGH, a political center of representative democratic Albanian refugees, to serve as cover for covert operations in Albania. Since that time, both PP and PM operations have been conducted in the name of the HTNEIGH.

4. PROPOSAL:

The HTNEIGH is a representative group of Albanian refugees, acting as the focal point for exiles interested in the ultimate liberation of Albania; it acts as the overt agency for covert activities; it serves to publicize the plight of the captive Albanian people via press media operated by the Committee. The HTNEIGH is jointly controlled by representatives of KURARK and SMYQPIA. It has been made clear to the HTNEIGH that it is in no sense regarded as a "Government in Exile".

5. OPERATIONAL OUTLINE:

a. Sub-proposals or tasks:

* (1) Publication of the HTNEIGH newspaper QAFALING in Albanian, and a digest once a month for use in air drops.

(2) Publishing when appropriate of the Albanian News Letter, a bulletin printed irregularly in English, French and Italian and distributed to the major press bureaus.

*The preparation of a digest is primarily conducted under project OBTOSE for which this project provides over and occasional support.

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* (3) Preparation of texts for propaganda leaflets and scripts for clandestine radio broadcasts.

* (4) Operation of a mail campaign of "poison pen" letters to ranking leaders of the Communist regime in Albania.

(5) Monitoring Radio Tirana; scanning world press for Albanian news and items which can be used in the PW program.

(6) Liaison with other emigre groups, particularly those associated with the National Committee for a Free Europe (NCFE)

(7) Research and political studies.

b. Key Personnel:

(1) A headquarters case officer will maintain liaison with the HTNEIGH in New York.

(2) All other direct liaison will be maintained by members of the Albanian Branch stationed in Athens, except for a contact with the indigenous agent publishing the newspaper in Rome, which will be maintained by an SE officer stationed in Rome.

c. Indigenous Groups and Leaders:

(1) The HTNEIGH is composed of representatives of the major Albanian political groups, and of independents. The HTNEIGH Executive Committee is made up of leaders from all groups. The Committee was reorganized in December 1953 to include groups not previously represented.

d. Target Groups:

(1) The people of Albania are a target group in the sense that all of the PW efforts of the HTNEIGH are directed toward fostering a spirit of passive resistance directed toward the ultimate liberation of these people.

(2) The Communist Government of Albania is a target for defection appeals and ridicule.

c. Duration. This project will be of indefinite duration, its termination depending either upon lack of success in its objectives or the overthrow of the Communist regime in Albania and the creation of a non-Cominform government friendly to the West.

6. SECURITY:

a. Cover. The HTNEIGH is an overt organization which provides cover for clandestine activities conducted in its name.

b. Knowledgeability. Members of the HTNEIGH are aware of ODYOKE interest and financial support. SKYOFIA was jointly responsible for the formation of the HTNEIGH. The Greek Government is aware in general of operations conducted from Greece in the name of the HTNEIGH. The Italian Government is aware unofficially of ODYOKE backing and financial support of the HTNEIGH.

* These activities are primarily conducted under projects OBTUSE and OBTAST, for which this project provides cover and occasional support.

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- c. Operational security. Key PBPRIME personnel working directly with albanians use aliases. While the Italian Government has been informed by ODACID that PBPRIME is in sympathy with the aims of the HINEIGH, it has not been informed officially of PBPRIME backing and financial support. The newspaper and news bulletin are published overtly by the HINEIGH. Material for air drops over Albania is printed in Frankfurt and/or Athens on secure premises. PP and PM activities conducted in the name of the HINEIGH from Greece are carried out with the knowledge and assistance of the Greek Government. The primary security concern is to ensure that ODYOKE participation in the activities of the HINEIGH not be vulnerable to proof before the UN or other international body or become the object of embarrassing newspaper or other publicity. Present methods of compartmentation of operations are believed to reduce this possibility to a minimum.
- d. Risks. Exposure to the UN or other international body of official backing of the HINEIGH and substantial direction of its activities by a PBPRIME Government agency would embarrass the PBPRIME Government seriously. However, operational security has kept these operations within the requirements of plausible disclaimer.
- e. Personnel Disposal. Project termination would present a personnel disposal problem for the members of the HINEIGH and attempts at resettlement would have to be made.
- f. Disaster Plan. Key HINEIGH personnel are included in the over-all disaster/evacuation plan for Italy and the Mediterranean theater but will not be evacuated to the United States.

7. COORDINATION:

- a. Relation to other projects: The project is a PP project under the Albanian Country Program and as such is directly related to the other projects being directed against Albania.
- b. Significance within over-all program in area: This project is an integral part of the Albanian Country Plan.
- c. Extent of coordination.
 - (1) The Senior Representatives are kept advised of HINEIGH activities in Italy and Greece, and provide guidance.
 - (2) The ODACID furnishes policy guidance.
 - (3) Propaganda is jointly approved by the SMOOTHER and PBPRIME representatives. SMOOTHER WSFISBY consults with ODYOKE on policy. The HINEIGH maintains contact with GKIVORY although it is no longer paid through that organization.

8. CONTROL:

- a. Nature of: Financial backing of the HINEIGH. Ideological motivation of members of HINEIGH.
- b. Administrative Plan. See attached. *(7th sect)*
- c. The members of the HINEIGH will be required to submit a monthly report of their activities in compliance with Field Regulation 50-11. In addition, complete fiscal records will be kept at the New York office of the HINEIGH.

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9. BUDGET DATA:

- a. Total over-all KUBARK funds required for Fiscal Year 1955: Personnel \$63,590; supplies and equipment other operational expenses
- b. Availability of KUBARK funds required. Funds budgeted for FY 55 and available to SE under the Albanian Country Program.
- c. Non-KUBARK funds. None
- d. Foreign currency. Yes, supplied by local stations.
- e. Funding. Funds will be deposited by sterile check to HTNEIGH bank account in New York, administered and accounted for by the Committee.
- f. Financial history. Salaries of HTNEIGH members and newspaper publication costs have previously been paid through TPTONIC. The other operational expenses have been paid from OBOPUS (formerly BGFIELD) funds. See page 1a.
- g. Future requirements. Expenses will continue at the same level through FY 56.

10. SUPPORT DATA:

- a. Total KUBARK personnel:
1 Headquarters case officer.
Athens-Albanian operations staff.
All personnel available and working on project.
- b. Material:
(1) HTNEIGH headquarters office rented in New York.
(2) HTNEIGH office in Rome.
- c. Communications: The Missions in provide communications.
- d. State Department provides visa assistance; the Immigration & Naturalization Service provides assistance in the entry and exit of HTNEIGH members to and from the U.S.

11. GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS:

- a. Current Status: This project has been operative since 1949 under the parent project OBOPUS (formerly BGFIELD).
- b. Commitments. Implicit commitment to the members of the HTNEIGH to pursue efforts toward the successful overthrow of the Communist regime. Implicit commitment to make certain that HTNEIGH members who have loyally supported our policy are not eventually abandoned to their own devices if they should be without other means of support.
- c. Effectiveness: HTNEIGH is known within the country and is generally considered as a major rallying point for albanian exiles.
- d. Anticipated Results: Harrassment of the Communist regime in Albania; fostering the spirit of resistance; when success believed possible, sponsoring a coup d'etat.

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BUDGET DATA

Total OBOPUS obligations for previous fiscal years:

FY 1949 - 1950	C]
1951	[]
1952	[]
1953	[]
1954	[]

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- e. Evaluation: Effectiveness is periodically reviewed by the relevant agency staff, by ODACID and the SMOOTHER Foreign Office.
- f. Policy Questions: Determination of PEPRIME and SMOOTHER policy toward Albania is made by ODACID and WERKOW.
- g. Congress: NA.
- h. Extra-Agency action: QKIVORY has in the past provided over administrative support.
- i. Proprietary companies: The project is a proprietary project. The attached Administrative Plan provides for the incorporation of the HINEIGH.
- j. Special considerations: Not applicable, except as previously noted.
- k. Liquidation: NA

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Financial Data Supporting List

Salary of Contract Agent	\$ 5,000
Salaries of 44 Field Agents	49,490
Salary of American Secretary in New York	2,340
Printing and Mailing Newspaper	[]
Home Operational Flat Rent & Expenses.	[]
New York Office Rent and Expenses.	[]
Travel	[]
Other Operational Expenses	[]
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Total	[]

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Project B

1. OBJECTIVE:

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The aim of this project is to further the PW mission of KUBARK against Albania by means of clandestine radio broadcasts of a propaganda nature.

2. ORIGIN and POLICY GUIDANCE:

- a. Origin. BCFIEND Project Outline approved 22 June 1949. Country Plan for Albania. PW Annex to BCFIEND, 10 October 1949.
- b. Whence proposed. Project originated in Headquarters.

3. SITUATION:

Since 1948, when the Tito regime broke with the Kremlin, Albania has been isolated from direct land connection with the other Soviet satellites. This, in addition to the ruggedness of the terrain and the tradition of clandestine activity by the Albanians, particularly the mountain tribesmen in the north, appeared to make Albania a promising target for clandestine activity aimed at the eventual overthrow of the present Communist regime. The SMOOTHER and PHPRIDE services in the summer of 1949 were responsible for the formation of HTRNIGH, a political center of representative democratic Albanian refugees, to serve as cover for covert activities for projected operations in Albania. (See project OBLIVIOUS.) Since that time, both PP and PM operations have been conducted in the name of the HTRNIGH.

After repeated efforts to engage in clandestine PW against Albania via covert radio broadcasts from the high seas, arrangements were completed with the Government of LCFLAKE in the spring of 1950 which permitted KUBARK to create a communications installation in the LCDRINK area for the purpose of PW broadcasting to the satellites. On 18 September 1951, HTRGRUBBY was activated and has broadcast on an almost daily schedule into Albania since that time in the 43 and 46 meter bands.

4. PROPOSAL:

The establishment of HTRGRUBBY was based on the belief that as a corollary to HTRNIGH, a supplementary PW effort was necessary which would direct its efforts entirely to the creation and maintenance of a feeling of hope in the minds of the Albanian people inside the country. Consequently, with propaganda guidance from Headquarters, HTRGRUBBY broadcasts into Albania news from the Free World, advice to the populace, encouragement for passive resistance and justification of the hope of ultimate liberation.

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5. OPERATIONAL OUTLINE:

a. Sub-proposals or tasks. At the appropriate time HTGRUBBI broadcasts will be used to call the people of Albania to support active resistance activities.

b. Key Personnel: One PBPRIHE Albanian-speaking case officer is responsible for program content, administrative support of the Albanian staff, and liaison with Comso for maintenance of the Technical establishment.

c. Indigenous Groups and Leaders: An indigenous propaganda staff of five persons who write scripts and act as broadcasters under the supervision of the PBPRIHE case officer.

d. Target Groups: Generally, the entire population of Albania, specifically (e.g., defection appeals) Albanian and Russian Communist officials.

e. Duration. The project is of indefinite duration, its termination being dependent either on the alteration of KUBARK objectives in Albania or proof that broadcast reception within the country is so limited that the cost of maintaining the project cannot be justified.

6. SECURITY:

a. Cover: The clandestine radio operates in the name of HTNEIGH, with the propaganda staff ostensibly members of the HTNEIGH LODRINK welfare office.

b. Knowledgeability. Members of the HTNEIGH and of the propaganda staff are aware of ODYOKE but not of KUBARK interest as such. SMYOPIS officers are aware of KUBARK interest, as are certain LCFLAKE officials.

c. Operational Security: Operational security is maintained through compartmentation and complete separation of the propaganda staff from the actual technical establishment.

d. Risks: Embarrassment of ODYOKE and of the LCFLAKE Government as the host country.

e. Personnel Disposal: Project termination would present a personnel disposal problem as regards the Albanian staff. Attempts at resettlement would have to be made.

f. Disaster Plan: Personnel are included in the over-all disaster-evacuation plan for LCFLAKE, but will not be evacuated to the U.S.

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7. COORDINATION:

a. Relation to other projects. The project is a PF project under the Albanian Country Program and as such is directly related to the other FI, PF and FM projects being directed against Albania.

b. Significance within overall program in area: Integral part of PF effort.

c. Extent of coordination:

(1) Activities directed by the chief of the Albanian operations staff in LCOFLAK under direction of Senior Representative and the chief of the PF staff. Communications Division provides technical equipment and personnel.

(2) No other agencies involved, except with respect to policy guidance from ODACID.

(3) Propaganda guidance policy provided by ODACID and SMOOTHER ESPISHY. LCOFLAK Government permits broadcasts from LCOFLAK soil.

8. CONTROL:

a. Nature of: The project is financed by KUBARK. All scripts edited and supervised by KUBARK personnel. Ideological and financial motivation of propaganda staff.

b. Administrative Plan: NA

c. Reports: Field reporting in accordance with Field Regulation 50-11. Submission of copies of scripts to Headquarters.

9. BUDGET DATA:

a. Total over-all KUBARK funds required for Fiscal Year 1954:
 (See attached financial breakdown).

b. Availability of KUBARK funds required. Funds budgeted for FY 55.

c. Non-KUBARK funds. None

d. Foreign currency. Yes

e. Funding. Funds to be released to case officer for direct payment and to be accounted for by regular financial accountings in accordance with KUBARK regulations.

f. Financial history. All operating expenses have been paid by OBOPUS (formerly BGFLAND) funds. See page 3a.

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BUDGET DATA (continued)

Total OBOPUS obligations for previous fiscal years:

FY 1949 - 1950	[]
1951	[]
1952	[]
1953	[]
1954	[]

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9. BUDGET DATA (continued)

g. Future requirements: Expenses will continue at same level through 1956.

10. SUPPORT DATA:

a. Total KUBARK personnel.

1 case officer

b. See COMMO ANNEX for BEPLEND

11. GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS:

a. Current Status: Fully operative.

b. Commitments: NA

c. Effectiveness: Refugees and agents have confirmed that broadcasts are heard inside the country. Intensive jamming of broadcasts since August, 1953 indicates concern on the part of the Albanian Communist regime lest the programs reach the population.

d. Anticipated Results: To keep the spirit of resistance alive in Albania; encourage the population to aid operational teams; and if practicable to call on the people to overthrow the Hoxha regime.

e. Evaluation: Reports upon which to evaluate effectiveness of Project are scarce. Monitoring reports from a base in Bari give an indication of the quality of the signal, which has been variable. To date the best basis for judging has been the intensive jamming done by the Albanian Government which has been observed since August 1953. A continuing effort will be made by all practicable means to review the signal effectiveness, jamming interference and impact on the target audience.

f. Policy Questions: Propaganda policy guidance is furnished by KUBARK in coordination with ODACID and the SMOOTHER Foreign Office.

g. Congress. NA

h. Extra-Agency action. NA

i. Proprietary companies. NA

j. Special considerations. NA

k. Liquidation. NA

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Financial Data Supporting List

Expendable Office Supplies

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Office Furnishings

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1. OBJECTIVE

To further the PP Mission through the use of leaflets and printed matter in addition to small quantities of selected consumer goods, to be air-dropped over Albania at intervals sufficiently frequent to keep alive the spirit of passive resistance and the hope of eventual liberation.

2. ORIGIN AND POLICY GUIDANCE:

- a. Origin. BOPLIND Project Outline approved 22 June 1949. Country Plan for Albania, Operations Annex B, Tab C-Political Warfare Operations.
- b. Whence proposed. Project originated in Headquarters.

3. SITUATION:

Since 1948, when the Tito regime broke with the Kremlin, Albania has been isolated from direct land connection with the other Soviet satellites. This, in addition to the ruggedness of the terrain and the tradition of clandestine activity by the Albanians, particularly the mountain tribesmen in the north, appeared to make Albania a promising target for clandestine activity aimed at the eventual overthrow of the present Communist regime. The presence of a considerable number of Albanian refugees in Europe suggested the development of a political center outside Albania composed of representatives of non-totalitarian elements, sympathetic with our policy objectives in the Balkans, to serve as a rallying point for anti-Communist elements inside Albania. The SMOOTHER and PEPRIME Services in the summer of 1949 were responsible for the formation of the HETHEIGH, a political center of representative democratic Albanian refugees, to serve as cover for covert activities for projected operations in Albania. Since that time, both PP and PD operations have been conducted in the name of the HETHEIGH; it was a joint PEPRIME-SMOOTHER decision that leaflets would be the most effective means of reaching the largest audience and a graphic demonstration of the capabilities of the HETHEIGH.

4. PROPOSAL:

At irregular intervals varying from two to eight weeks, leaflets or other printed matter (e.g., a digest of the HETHEIGH newspaper) are to be dropped over Albania by sterile aircraft. In addition, at appropriate intervals, food and hard goods will be included in the leaflet drops. In addition, propaganda material will be distributed by other appropriate means, including balloons, mail, etc.

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5. OPERATIONAL OUTLINE:

- a. Sub-proposals or tasks: Leaflets will be used at the appropriate time as a defection appeal to Communist officials and as a call to such action by the population as may be deemed appropriate at any given time.
- b. Key Personnel:
 - (1) Leaflet preparation is supervised jointly by KUBARK and SMYOFIA officers in Athens.
 - (2) Packing and preparing for distribution of food and hard goods is done by the Athens Psych and Albanian branch personnel; leaflets are packed for airdrop in Athens.
- c. Indigenous Groups and Leaders: Leaflets and the digest of QKPALIQ are prepared by the HREIGH Propaganda Workshop in Athens.
- d. Target Groups:
 - (1) The people of Albania are a target for the propaganda leaflets and propaganda supply drops.
 - (2) Communist officials are the target for defection appeals.
- e. Duration: The project is of indefinite duration, its termination being predicated on a change in policy which would require discontinuance of leaflet and propaganda distribution.
- f. Graphic illustrations: See Attached.

6. SECURITY:

- a. Cover. All leaflets and propaganda supply drops are made in the name of the HREIGH.
- b. Knowledgeability. Members of the HREIGH are aware of ODYOKE but not of KUBARK interest as such.
- c. Operational security. Rome and Athens HREIGH personnel are fully aware of production of leaflets but have no knowledge of operations concerned with their airdrop over Albania.
- d. Risks.
 - (1) Loss of aircraft and capture of air crews.
 - (2) Embarrassment of ODYOKE by proof of PEPRIME intervention and backing of resistance elements.
- e. Personnel Disposal. Project termination would present a personnel disposal problem for the propaganda staff and attempts at resettlement would have to be made.
- f. Disaster Plan. Key HREIGH personnel are included in the over-all disaster/evacuation plan for Italy and the Mediterranean Theater but this does not include evacuation to the U.S.

7. COORDINATION:

- a. Relation to other projects. This project is a PP project under the Albanian Country Program and as such is directly related to the other FI, PP and PM projects being directed against Albania.

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- b. Significance within over-all program in area; This project is an integral part of the Albanian Country Program.
- c. Extent of coordination:
 - (1) All activities under this project are carried out by the Albanian Operation Staff in Athens under direction of the Chief of the PP Staff and the Senior Representative, Athens. Athens Air Support Section provides aircraft and crews.
 - (2) COMINT coordination for flight clearance.
 - (3) Texts of leaflets receive joint PEPRIME-SMOOTHER approval and the whole leaflet and propaganda supply program is coordinated with SMYOFIA. The Greek Government acquiesces in the use of airfield facilities and grants permission for overflights.

8. CONTROL:

- a. Nature of: Content of leaflets is reviewed and supervised and leaflets are printed by KUBARK. Program is financed by KUBARK. Aircraft are PEPRIME-owned and controlled.
- b. Administrative plan. NA
- c. Reports. Activities will be reported in accordance with Field Regulation 50-11.

9. BUDGET DATA:

- a. Total over-all KUBARK funds required for Fiscal Year 1955: 39,400. (See attached financial breakdown).
- b. Availability of KUBARK funds required. Funds budgeted for FY 55.
- c. Non-KUBARK funds. None.
- d. Foreign currency. Yes.
- e. Funding. Funds to be released to case officer for direct payment and to be accounted for by regular financial accountings in accordance with KUBARK regulations.
- f. Financial history. All operating expenses have been paid by GEOPUS (formerly BGFIBND) funds. See page 3 a.
- g. Future requirements: Expenses will continue at same level through 1956.

10. SUPPORT:

- a. Total KUBARK personnel: Athens-Albanian operation staff on board and working.
- b. Materiel: Presses and paper for leaflets. Foodstuffs, hard goods, parachutes and containers for propaganda supply drops; canning machine.
- c. Communications: In-flight communications with base.
- d. Other KUBARK support: Use of KUBARK aircraft, warehouse, packaging and printing facilities of Athens Station. Printing of the leaflets in Headquarters, and digest in Germany when necessary.

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BUDGET DATA:

Total OBOFUS obligations for previous fiscal years:

FY 1949 - 1950	[]
1951	[]
1952	[]
1953	[]
1954	[]

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- e. Support required from other PEPRIME agencies: ODONET for AMS and flight clearances.

11. GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS:

- a. Current Status: Operative.
- b. Commitments: Committed to drops at frequent intervals until such time as the ODACID and SMOOTHER WEFISKY jointly agree the leaflet program is no longer feasible or advisable.
- c. Effectiveness: Refugees have both seen and heard of leaflets being dropped and report they are passed from hand to hand in spite of penalties imposed by the Communist regime for being in possession of them. The HTRKICH is known to the Albanian people through the leaflet program. The Albanian Government has publicly denounced the leaflet and food supply program and declared it unlawful to retrieve the articles dropped.
- d. Anticipated results: It is anticipated that the leaflet program in conjunction with CHEST will sustain the hope of the people of Albania for ultimate liberation.
- e. Evaluation: Through refugee and agent reports from within the country as well as through the number, type and degree of Government counter measures.
- f. Policy questions: Policy is established by ODACID and WEFISKY and is under constant review.
- g. Congress. NA
- h. Extra-Agency action. NA
- i. Proprietary companies. NA
- j. Special considerations. NA
- k. Liquidation. NA

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Financial Data (Section B)

Paper and Ink	[]
Food and Hard Goods	[]
Packing Materials	[]

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1. OBJECTIVE:

To formalize a going activity, previously approved under CHOWEN (formerly BGFRIEND). The project's objective is to further the KUBARK FP/FM/PI mission against Albania through the infiltration of agent teams whose purpose will be to establish nuclei for wartime activities (G/W, U/W and E & E), contact resistance groups, establish W/T nets and dead letter-drops and gather positive and operational intelligence.

2. ORIGIN and POLICY GUIDANCE:

- a. Origin. BGFRIEND Project Outline approved 22 June 1949, Country Plan for Albania.
- b. Whence proposed. Project originated in Headquarters.

3. SITUATION:

Since 1948, when the Tito regime broke with the Kremlin, Albania has been isolated from direct land contact with the other Soviet Satellites. This situation, in addition to the ruggedness of the terrain and the tradition of clandestine activity among the Albanians, particularly the mountain tribesmen in the north, appeared to make Albania a promising target for clandestine activity aimed at the eventual overthrow of the present Communist regime. The presence of a considerable number of Albanian refugees in Europe suggested the development of a political center outside Albania composed of representatives of democratic elements, sympathetic with our policy objectives in the Balkans, to serve as a rallying point for anti-Communist elements inside Albania and as a source of potential agent material. The SMOOTHER and PEPRIDE services in the summer of 1949 were responsible for the formation of the HTREIGH, a political center of democratic Albanian refugees, to serve as cover for covert operations in Albania. Since that time, both FP and FM operations have been conducted in the name of the HTREIGH.

4. PROPOSAL:

To recruit, train and infiltrate agent teams for the purpose of contacting and establishing resistance groups, and contacting anti-Communist officials in the government and military establishments, either directly or through the recruitment of resident agents.

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5. OPERATIONAL OUTLINE:

a. Sub-proposals or tasks:

- (1) Spotting and recruitment of nuclei for sabotage, G/W and E and X, in that priority.
 - (2) Establishment of W/T communications.
 - (3) Collection of PW materials within the country.
 - (4) Assessment of the effectiveness of KUBARK PW efforts.
 - (5) Collection of positive and operational intelligence.
- b. Key personnel. Albanian operations staff in LCTRINK.
- c. Indigenous groups. The teams are indigenous agent personnel provided with HFRSIGH authorization documents.
- d. Target groups. The nationalist population of Albania. Disaffected Albanian Communists.
- e. Duration. The project will be of indefinite duration, its termination depending either on an overthrow of the Communist government in Albania or the imposition of such strict security controls as to render this activity impossible.
- f. Graphic illustrations. NA

6. SECURITY:

- a. Cover. Agent operations are conducted in the name of HFRSIGH; KUBARK personnel working with the teams pose as FEPRDES employed by HFRSIGH.
- b. Knowledgeability: Agent teams are aware of ODYOKE interest and backing but not of KUBARK as such.
- c. Operational Security: Security is maintained through the use of compartmented training in secure areas and through covert movement to the point of infiltration.
- d. Risks: The project runs the risk of the capture and torture and/or annihilation of agent teams, who might make claims of ODYOKE backing which could be presented before an international body, and result in the withdrawal of permission to operate from LCFLAKE soil, thereby causing the ODYOKE embarrassment in its international relations.
- e. Personnel disposal. Some arrangements have been made with LCFLAKE officials for the disposal of former agents, and with USEP for the resettlement and rehabilitation of others.
- f. Disaster Plan. The evacuation of key agent personnel from the area is included in the master plan for LCFLAKE and the Mediterranean Theater, but does not provide for evacuation to the United States.

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7. COORDINATION:

- a. Relation to other projects. The Project is a PM project under the Albanian country program and as such is directly related to the other PP/PM projects under that plan.
- b. Significance with overall program within area. The Project is an integral part of the Albanian country program.
- c. Extent of coordination. The project has been concurred in by the Senior Representative and is assisted by KUBARK Commo; the LCFLAKE Government (through the LCFLAKE Central Intelligence Service) and the SMOOTHER Government (through SMYQPIA are formally notified of general aspects of its operation.

8. CONTROL:

- a. Nature. The project has physical control of the agents while they are in LCFLAKE and relies on agent ideological motivation as well as agent financial dependence upon the FEPRIMES.
- b. Administrative Plan. NA
- c. Reports. A weekly summary of agent-base W/T traffic is submitted to Headquarters from the field. Regular monthly operational reports are received, along with additional reports at the time of recruitment, of dispatch and following the return of the agents.

9. BUDGET DATA:

- a. Total over-all KUBARK funds required for Fiscal Year 1955. Total funds required for FY 1955, []
- b. Availability of KUBARK funds required. Funds have been budgeted for FY 1955.
- c. Non-KUBARK funds. NA
- d. Foreign currency. Foreign currency is used when possible. The monetary branch of the Finance Division has not been able to supply the local currency (lek) owing to its scarcity. All international sources are being tapped for possible leads to supply this currency. Approval is also requested to use gold coins to be employed in agent operations.
- e. Funding. Funds to be released to case officer for direct payment and to be accounted for by regular financial accountings in accordance with KUBARK regulations.
- f. Financial history. NA
- g. Future requirements. NA

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10. SUPPORT DATA:

- a. Total KUBARK personnel. 2 contract agents.
- b. Materiel. Agent equipment available in LCDRINK warehouse.
- c. Communications. W/T support is provided by Commo/LCDRINK. For details see BOFIELD Communications Annex.
- d. Other KUBARK Support. Air Support/LCDRINK for resupply and body drops. KURIC/LCDRINK and Headquarters for documentation support.
- e. Other support required. CE support.

11. GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS:

- a. Current status. Project has been operative since 1950.
- b. Commitments. Project is committed to pay agents monthly salary while they are on active duty. Otherwise they are given only a subsistence allowance.
- c. Effectiveness. Effectiveness of the project will be gauged by confirmed agent reports which indicate the establishment of resistance groups in their operating areas, by the PW material and intelligence which they bring out.
- d. Anticipated results. The creation of resident intelligence networks, establishment of contacts and the securing of operational intelligence to provide the basis for an internal resistance organization.
- e. Evaluation. The project is evaluated in terms of contacts claimed and where possible, verified information collected, successful exfiltration of teams to proper place and on schedule.
- f. Policy questions. NA
- g. Congress. NA
- h. Extra-agency action. NA
- i. Proprietary companies. NA
- j. Special considerations. The institutions of unusually heavy security controls inside the target country which would make activities impossible would result in a cessation or re-evaluation of agent operations.
- k. Liquidation. NA (See above)

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FINANCIAL DATA SUPPORTING LIST

Personnel	\$ 35,700
Cosmo:	
Agent E/T Sets	[]
Medical:	
Medical care for agents	[]
Ordnance:	
Arms and Ammunition for agents	[]
Other Equipment:	
Sterile clothes for agents	[]
Other Supplies:	
Parachutes and Packaging for agent air resupply	[]
Travel	[]
Transportation	[]
Safe Houses	[]
Operational Expenses	[]
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1. OBJECTIVE:

The objective of this Project is to furnish administrative support to the PP and PM operations directed against target country.

2. ORIGIN and POLICY GUIDANCE:

- a. Origin. HOFFLAND (now OBOPUS) Project Outline, approved 22 June 1949. Country Plan
- b. Whence proposed. Project originated in Headquarters.

3. SITUATION:

The country program has been divided, for greater efficiency in controlling and administering the various phases, into four projects. None of these provides for the payment of staff personnel whose duties are related to all of the said projects or for travel, and administrative and operational expenses not properly chargeable to any single project. It is proposed that such costs be covered by this Project, inasmuch as these costs may not be charged to Station or Headquarters administrative accounts.

4. PROPOSAL:

The project will be solely an administrative device and is not in itself operational or productive. It is proposed to incorporate under this project the necessary funds and authorization to cover administrative overhead and certain operational expenses of the PP and PM projects which cannot be isolated into a specific project and are not chargeable to Station or Headquarters administrative accounts.

5. OPERATIONAL OUTLINE:

NA

6. SECURITY:

a. Cover. Personnel to be paid out of this project are staff employees or staff agents under both official and unofficial cover. In all cases the cover is considered adequately protected.

b. Knowledgeability. All personnel included in this project are American citizens, fully cleared and witting employees of KAPOK.

c. Operational Security. NA

d. Risks. NA

e. Personnel Disposal. NA

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6. SECURITY (continued)

f. Disaster Plan. All personnel are included in the disaster/evacuation plans of the stations to which they are assigned.

7. COORDINATION:

a. Relation to other projects. The project is the administrative project under the Program and as such is directly related to the FP and PM projects directed against target country.

b. Significance within over-all program in area. The project is an integral part of the Country Program.

c. Extent of coordination. The State Department and the Department of the Army provide cover for some of the personnel included in this project. Internal co-ordination in KUBARK is carried out with all interested units.

8. CONTROL:

a. Nature of. Controls are the normal security clearances and briefings given all staff employees and staff agents, as well as the normally high motivation of U.S. citizens plus the provisions of the Espionage Act.

b. Administrative Plan. NA

c. Reports. Normal financial accountings by all employees covered by this project.

9. BUDGET DATA:

a. Total over-all KUBARK funds required for Fiscal Year 1955: \$163,550.

b. Availability of funds required. Funds have been budgeted for FY 55.

c. Non-KUBARK funds. None

d. Foreign currency. To be supplied as needed by the local stations to which personnel are assigned.

e. Funding. Salaries, allowances, travel expenses, and all other expenditures to be paid and accounted for through normal agency channels.

f. Financial History. All expenditures included in this project have in the past been paid out of OBOPUS (formerly BOFINAD) funds.

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9. BUDGET DATA (continued)

Total OBOPUS obligations for previous fiscal years:

FY 1949 - 1950	[]
1951	[]
1952	[]
1953	[]
1954	[]

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9. BUDGET DATA (continued)

g. Future requirements. It is anticipated that expenses will continue at the same level through FY 56.

10. SUPPORT DATA:

a. Total KUBARK Personnel:

7 Staff Employees
2 Staff Agents
3 Contract Agents

All personnel available and working on project. In event of personnel replacement contract agents might be used in lieu of staff personnel.

b. Materiel. Official vehicles needed by personnel covered by this project will be maintained and when necessary replaced out of funds allocated to this project. Certain photographic and copying equipment and supplies will be purchased. Safeshouses will be rented as needed.

c. Communications. The missions at Athens and Rome provide the usual official channels of communication.

d. Other KUBARK support. NA

e. State Department and Department of the Army provide the normal support given employees [] []

11. GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS:

a. Current status. The project has been operative since 1949 under the over-all project OBOPUS (formerly BOFIELD).

b. Commitments. There are no commitments beyond the usual commitments to staff employees.

c. Effectiveness. The project is expected to provide adequate administrative support for the PP and PM projects.

d. Anticipated results. Provision of funds for administrative expenses not provided for in the PP and PM projects.

e. Evaluation. Accomplishments of the individuals covered by this project will be reflected in the operations projects upon which they are working.

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11. GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS (continued)

- f. Policy questions. NA
- g. Congress. NA
- h. Extra-Agency action. NA
- i. Proprietary companies. NA
- j. Special considerations. NA
- k. Liquidation. NA

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Financial Data Supporting List

7 Staff Employees	\$57,400
2 Staff Agents	16,400
3 Contract Agents	19,500
Travel	[]
Transportation	[]
Rents and Utilities	[]
Miscellaneous Operational Expenses	[]
Supplies:	
Photographic	
<i>KURID</i>	[]
Equipment:	
3 Vehicles	
Photographic and Copying Equipment	[]
Operational Entertainment	[]
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