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Public Address Sources for EDUCATOR. SUBJECT:

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One of the most critical operational needs of EDUCATOR at present is the acquisition of telephone books and other public address sources for sattelite target areas, as well as certain operational items, such as envelopes, stamps, letterheads, etc. I appreciate the difficulties we have always encountered in the home office in procuring material of this character and we are meeting the same difficulties here. To this date, we have been unable to procure, with the exception of the 1948 telephone book for Prague, any telephone books for principal cities in the sattelite countries or any other standard address sources for those areas. However, we are continuing our efforts to procure this material, and the purpose of this dispatch is to request you to supplement our efforts in this direction by again attempting to procure this material through your various home office channels. As you know, in connection with certain types of mailing operations, a lack of general addresses in the target area can defeat the operation. Moreover, we are now beginning to enter an operational phase in which this type of material will become increasingly important. I, therefore, hopealthough I am aware of the procurement difficulties facing you at homethat you will make every effort to procure through your channels whatever is available in this particular field.

Specifically, we require the following materials:

From Russia, Czechoslovakia, Hungary and Yugoslavia (as secondary priorities, include Poland, Bulgaria and Roumania if possible) the following:

(1) Telephone books used in principal cities. We are especially interested in Budapest, Prague, Belgrade, Moscow and, if possible, several other principal Russian cities.

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(2) Any other address sources, such as yearly almanacs, directories, Communist Party year books, official or business annual reports, etc.

(3) Samples in varying size of envelopes commonly used in the above indicated areas.

(4) Samples of business envelopes and business letterheads of leading commercial firms.

(5) Envelopes and letterheads of any known Communists or Communist sponsored organizations.

(6) Copies of any internal as well as external tourist literature, together with envelopes and letter heads of the tourist bureaus.

b. In addition to the above, we will need specifically from Hungary a copy of the last yearly issues of Mepszava and Magyar Nemzet and if possible single samples of business envelopes used by commercial firms located in the towns, Sopron, Szombathely and Kormend.

It is also requested that we be furnished for Hungary and Czechoslovakia, an initial supply of 5,000 postage stamps used internally for those two countries for first class mail. Specifically, the postage stamps should be sufficient in amount to carry an envelope and four legal sized mimeographed sheets. These stamps are required in connection with anticipated mailing operations inside Czechoslovakia and Hungary, and I suggest that arrangements be made by you for quick reorders as future additional mailing operations develop in these two countries. In this connection, if you believe it would be more feasible for us to obtain these stamps through our Vienna station, kindly notify me at the earliest possible date. The use of Vienna as a procurement point would require, I assume, pouch communications and channel between our Vienna and [I am not sufficiently familiar with our setup in Czechoslovakia to judge whether any procurement channel between Prague and Vienna would be feasible.

3. The foregoing represents our most urgent requirements. As a lower priority, we would also appreciate receiving, if it can be made available to us, a current list of leading Communist publications, newspapers, magazines, etc., published in Western Europe and behind the Iron Curtain, together with any available copies. For example, we have not yet been able to obtain a copy of the Soviet magazine, Crocodile. Any

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available list of special events which have operational significance for us will also be appreciated.

4. If you succeed in obtaining any of the foregoing material, kindly pouch it to us as it reaches you.