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CA/PEG PROJECT EVALUATION

Date 25 May 1971

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PEG Eval. Officer	
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COMMENT:

1. The publication and distribution into the Soviet Bloc of Ukrainian language material continued at a high, effective level, reaching a total of over 13,000 infiltrated items. This marks a gain of more than ten percent over last year. All of the items are publications with high impact value, and some include samvydav (Ukrainian for samizdat in Russian) documents acquired clandestinely from some forty contacts. The man guiding these efforts is Anatol Kaminsky (T) who is in charge of Operations. Recently, he has also established contact with Ukrainians residing in Yugoslavia and with a leading Ukrainian Slavist in Hungary. These new contacts are expected to be useful in future distribution and acquisition efforts. Contacts have been widened with intellectual dissident circles in Moscow, Kiev and Lvov and collaboration with a selected few has already begun. In all, these accomplishments are impressive.

2. Although operations have clearly progressed, new contacts have been made and distribution networks become more effective, the exfiltration of dissident documents has sharply declined, falling from fifty items in 1969 to ten for 1970. This is owing to the fact that since early last year the Soviets have instituted more pervasive repressive measures towards dissident intellectuals and particularly towards students who have been outspoken in their opposition to the policy of Russification. The KGB is especially eager to acquire information on the communication net of these dissidents and a leading collaborationist was coopted or recruited last year. This was readily recognized by

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Kaminsky and effective security measures were instituted. But in the long run it appears that the Soviets are fighting a losing battle, if for no other reason but the fact that the birthrate of non-Russians within the USSR is rising more rapidly; if present trends continue Russians will cease to be a majority in a few decades. Against this background, the Ukrainians, because of their large numbers, present the greatest potential problem for Moscow and, because they place an increasing importance on their native language, they are becoming a model for other minorities who also are emphasizing their native language.

3. Despite its positive accomplishments QRDYNAMIC is not without problems. The project is costly since ZP/UHVR has no outside income. CA/PEG conducted a review of the budget to see if cut-backs or savings might be recommended. The cost of the Munich office, for example, has already been reduced from 6 to 3 people and from \$ (for 1970) to \$ for next year. The Munich office was set up in compliance with Katzenbach decisions and is engaged primarily in printing. The New York office has 10 people, all receiving minimal wages.

4. Last year 13 titles of books were published, ranging from 500 to 2,000 copies per title. In addition, 4 periodicals in a total of 3,200 copies (two are monthlies, one appears quarterly and the other irregularly) are published and distributed. The unit cost for the delivery of 13,000 of these publications to the Soviet Bloc comes to about \$13.50 per item, in line with other similar Agency activities. (Unit cost for QREGGHEAD, for example, is \$25.00 and for QRBASIC \$7.17). In general, budget costs are in line, and the increase (\$ for FY 72) reflects salary raises and the inflationary trend.

5. Eye-witness accounts by travelers confirm that a part of the literature sent to the Soviet Bloc reaches its destination. Some of it circulates person-to-person, generating discussions within dissident circles. In December 1970, Radio Kiev attacked Anatol Kaminsky by name, referring to him as a "nationalist ideologist". In the same year the Soviet Union published material to denigrate the leader of the ZP/UHVR and the president of Prolog.

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6. There is one other problem that must be corrected. For the last three years the Agency has not reviewed, for evaluation, publication content. To be sure, the Headquarters C/O receives and reviews monthly translation summaries of the content but the Desk cannot go beyond this since it does not have expertise in the Ukrainian language. The same language barrier has prevented CA/PROP from providing the usual propaganda analysis. CA/PEG would strongly recommend that another appropriate Agency component with the required language capability be called upon to provide representative translations for the purpose of evaluation (by CA/PROP) of propaganda content.

7. CA/PEG also suggests that, in view of the myriad contacts supposedly handled by project personnel, the present level of four disseminations is altogether too low.

8. CCS/PRG and CI/OPS, DOD and EUR concur in the renewal, without comment. CA/PROP's concurrence notes the evidence of regime sensitivity to this project's activities and, informally, indicates PROP's readiness to perform its propaganda analysis function once the language barrier is breached.

9. CA/PEG recommends approval, suggesting that:

a. CI/OPS consider a follow-up report on the probable KGB recruitment effort noted above (Para. 2);

b. CA/B2, with CA/PROP, utilize other Agency language facilities to effect reasonably regular propaganda analysis of the project publications;

c. CA Staff seek to increase the project's FI reporting;

d. The Administrative Plan be brought up to date, reflecting the transfer of this project to CA Staff;

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- e. CA Staff consider the use of one of DO Division's management consultant firms to examine the efficacy and economy of QRDYNAMIC's operation, with particular reference to the budget items for "affiliated groups" and "research"; and
- f. CA Staff be represented when this project is considered.

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