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PROJECT CRYPTONYM: AEGEAN

RECOMMENDED BY:

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Case Officer

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Chief of Field Installation

1. Munich, Germany
2. MGK-W-2574
3.
 - a. Procurement of intelligence from Baltic States and the USSR. Development of support-bases in the Lithuanian SSR as a transit point for operations against the USSR.
 - b. Development of w/t communications between the Lithuanian SSR and Amzon/Germany (and/or Sweden).
 - c.
 - (1) The development of existing agent personnel and support facilities in the Lithuanian SSR for intelligence procurement missions.
 - (2) The development of sea, land and/or air courier routes between Amzon/Germany and Lithuanian SSR by utilizing and training available Lithuanian personnel in Amzon/Germany for two-way movement of personnel, material and information.
4.
 - a. []
 - b. Subject of MUNI 941 as courier.
Subject of MGM-A-1721 as accreditor of above couriers together with individuals listed in 4 a.
Subject of MGM-A-1972 paragraph 3 as [] resident agent.
Subject of MGM-A-1721 paragraph 4 as support-base operator in Poland.
Subject of MGM-A-1912 paragraph 8 as liaison man with Lithuanian Underground Headquarters in Lithuanian SSR.

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5. a. All individuals concerned living outside the Iron Curtain are overtly known as members of the Supreme Committee for the Liberation of Lithuania (VLIK).
- b. The case officer is known as [] of the AIS. [] has met []
6. Top ranking AEGEAN representatives residing in Germany have been personally met by the case officer. Contact is currently maintained with VLIK only through []. Contact with individuals residing outside of Germany is maintained through [] who utilizes ordinary mail channels. This system will be changed as soon as we are able to provide suitable courier service from [] for transmission of messages to []. Contact with Lithuanian SSR has been maintained through letter drops outside the Iron Curtain (Ref: MGM-A-1907) as well as through the []. Contact with support-base in Poland has been maintained through overt mail channels and as described in MUNI 915, paragraph 2 b. In cases where open mail channels are used letters are usually written in code when they are addressed to subject of MGM-A-1721. Contact with support-base in Poland will be re-organized along more secure lines as soon as feasible. Open mail contact with Lithuanian SSR will be discontinued as soon as regular w/t communications are established.
7. Control over all personnel is based on ideological grounds and on striving for the accomplishment of Lithuanian national aspirations. As this Project is centered on an organization which in due time aspires to become a Government-in-exile our relationship is not exactly that of an intelligence-agent-case officer-basis but on "higher diplomatic" grounds resembling the unofficial, clandestine support, by a representative of the United States Government of a friendly Government-in-exile temporarily driven from its country by a "mutual hostile power", the USSR.
8. Immediate needs of special equipment will be limited to the adequate equipment of couriers with radio communication apparatus, secret ink materials, ammunition, documents and funds (rubles, zlotis and dollars). Ultimate needs will depend on the extent of our overall policy and commitment (See MGM-A-1787).
9. Coordination is desirable with [], Berlin, [] [] for effective conduct of this project.

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10. We are currently screening suitable courier personnel and propose to begin their training on or about 2 January 1950. It is expected that communication training will be completed by May 1950 at which time we hope to have a means of dispatching trained communication couriers into Lithuania. Date of termination of this project is not contemplated at this time.

11.	Quarter Ending 31 March 1950	Subsequent Quarters
Compensation	\$1,500.00	same
Travel	No estimate. Will be charged to "operations".	
Operating Expenses	[]	same
TOTAL	[]	[]

[] is assigned to [] free of charge. No regular food or cigarette rations are supplied at this time. Upon the acceptance of the first courier group of four under [] immediate supervisions, we propose to provide them with regular rations as follows:

	Per Month	Special Purposes* Per Month
Cigarettes 1 carton per week per person	20 cartons	6 cartons
Whiskey 2 bottles per person	10 bottles	4 bottles
Class A rations as long as the couriers are under our care	150 Class A rations	

Field Comment:* None of our regular AEGEAN contacts received any rations of cigarettes or whiskey. However, it is desirable to have at least a limited amount of these items in reserve for "special purposes", such as occasional entertainment and complimentary presents to top level AEGEAN personnel who may be visiting [] from time to time.

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12. The only outstanding "special problem" in this project is the postponement of emigration of individuals essential to the conduct of this operation. On 23 November 1949 we received a list of names of six top ranking AEGEAN individuals who are scheduled for early emigration to the United States. We suggested that all of these individuals proceed with their regular emigration requirements and that we be notified immediately when a United States visa is issued. Upon receiving such notification from the AEGEANS we propose to request the United States Consulates concerned to extend the validity of such visas as long as we may deem it necessary. We anticipate that the same problem will have to be met in the case of each individual courier who agrees to postpone his emigration in order to accept an assignment under this project.

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