

25 November 1951

MEMORANDUM

TO : Deputy Director (Plans)

SUBJECT: Administrative Plan for 48 Division Subsidy
Project AFRSARR-77 (Formerly AFRSAPIN)I. Objectives

1. The purpose of this project is to furnish financial support to AFRSARR-1 in order to maintain the organization as an effective instrument of political and psychological warfare activities against the Soviet regime in Lithuania through special radio broadcasts, distribution of propaganda material, etc. Specifically, the objectives of the project are as follows:

- (a) To show concrete evidence of U.S. faith in AFRSARR-1 as an effective force in the field of political and psychological warfare;
- (b) To deceive and demoralize the Soviet regime in Lithuania;
- (c) To maintain the morale and devotion to the rest of the Lithuanian people;
- (d) To preserve and support the spirit of resistance in Lithuania.

II. Cover

2. The chairman of AFRSARR-1 executive committee in Germany receives Agency funds under the project and then transfers the monies to the Lithuanian national fund in Germany. The Lithuanian national fund handles all AFRSARR-1 funds. The chairman and members of AFRSARR-1 executive committee are aware of U.S. government support. The members of AFRSARR-1 assembly understand that contributions to the national fund come from the American-Lithuanian Council and other private Lithuanian sources.

III. Background

3. The Agency has been in contact with AFRSARR-1 since 1949. The organization was selected at that time because of its position as a Lithuanian organization and its primacy among the Lithuanian emigrants. AFRSARR-1 continues to be recognized among the emigrants as the major voice of Free Lithuania.

4. AFRSARR-1 has in the past assisted the Agency in the spotting and recruiting of agents for infiltration into Lithuania. The organization is no longer engaged in this activity but it continues to assist in certain penetration operations and is exceedingly active in various propaganda and informational activities directed against the Soviet regime. The financial assistance rendered AFRSARR-1 by the Agency is assigned to support the AFRSARR-1 operations against the Soviet regime in Lithuania by extending its radio broadcasts, as well as maintaining and developing the organization as an instrument of political warfare.

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The characteristics of the [redacted] committee has been performing the duties of a [redacted] committee. However, it is to be replaced as the principal agent in the near future by an [redacted] selected and created by the [redacted].

IV. Budget and Project Approval

6. The PP activities of this project were initially developed and established under [redacted] on 30 July 1949 the then ADPC authorized the sum of [redacted] for Fiscal Year 1950 under Project BGMARIN. The total budget for Project BGMARIN for Fiscal Year 1951 amounted to [redacted] and the then ADPC authorized [redacted] for Fiscal Year 1952 for Project BGMARIN. The sum of [redacted] for Project (renamed ABCHAMP-9) was authorized by the [redacted] of January 1953 for Fiscal Year 1953. The total amount authorized for Fiscal Year 1953 for Project ABCHAMP-9 by the [redacted] amounts to [redacted].

V. Administrative Plan

7. The Administrative Plan [redacted] and the Administrative Plan of 21 May 1951 prepared by the [redacted] and approved by the then ADPC. This Administrative Plan has the concurrence of the [redacted] Staff and Divisions, as [redacted] by the [redacted] concurrence [redacted] and is recommended for your approval.

1/ [redacted]
Project [redacted]
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1/ [redacted]
Project Director

VI. Distribution of Administrative Plan

- 1/ [redacted] [redacted] 21 November 1953
- 1/ [redacted] [redacted] 21 November 1953
- 1/ [redacted] [redacted] 23 November 1953

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IV. Security Policy

9. All witting personnel utilized under this project shall be previously cleared by Staff C/SPB or the Security Office, as appropriate. In addition, at least the names of all other indigenous personnel who are in a position to compromise, embarrass or interfere with the operation, must be submitted to Staff C/SPB for security review.

V. Audit

10. An audit program shall be determined and carried out in accordance with Agency regulations.

RECOMMEND APPROVAL

/s/ [redacted] DD/P-Admin.

30 November 1953

AUTHORIZED

/s/ Lawrence R. Houston, A/DD/A

18 December 1953

APPROVED

/s/ Richard Helms, DD/P

28 December 1953

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