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MEMORANDUM FOR: CA/B1

SUBJECT : Comments on Western Ukrainian-language
broadcasts from Soviet listeners

1. The following comments were made to a Project AERODYNAMIC source by a citizen and resident of Czechoslovakia who has contact with Soviet Ukrainian citizens.

2. Radio listeners in the Ukraine expressed a desire for more information on Ukrainian emigre activities, and for a course on Ukrainian history to counter official Soviet history. They also asked that the Soviet nationalities policy be criticized in definite terms, that amnesty be demanded for Ukrainian political prisoners, and demands have also been made to change the name of some of the radio stations; e.g., Ukrainian-language broadcasts of Radio Liberty to be announced as "Voice of the Ukraine."

3. Western broadcasts are jammed effectively only in the cities. Broadcasts are heard quite clearly in the villages. The source listened to a broadcast of "Radio Liberty" in Uman, which came through well. He was told by residents of the Irkutsk area that they receive "Radio Svoboda" quite clearly, at least in Cheremkhovo and Usolye Sibirskoye.

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