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SUBJECT: Meeting with AECassowary 2 and the AERODYNAMIC Psychological Warfare Panel in New York.

DATE: 29 December 1955

1. During this period the scripts number eleven, twelve, thirteen and fourteen were prepared covering the broadcast time up to and including 10 February 1956.

2. In addition, separate discussions were held on the formulation of policy and principles which should underline the proposed publication in the English language. The agreed upon principles could be summarized as follows:

a) The new phase of the Cold War that started after the last Geneva Conference is characterized by Soviet propaganda against "Capitalistic Colonialism" in Asia. The USSR assumes the role of protector and liberator of the oppressed and underdeveloped countries of Asia, Africa and the Middle East.

b) The ideological and social forces behind political nationalism represent the antithesis of the Soviet communist ideology, international in its concept. The nationalism embodies the emphasis on the individual characteristics of the country and the people. The Soviets are conscious of the potential strength of the nationalistic movement and they are making concerted efforts to enlist them on their side.

c) The ideology of Soviet communism, being totalitarian, is based on centralism, whereas the nationalism advocates and upholds decentralization. The centrifugal forces of nationalism, therefore, are in natural conflict with Marxist centralist ideology.

d) The Soviet propaganda, conscious of this inherent opposition and conflict is attempting to deceive and to beguile the undeveloped nations by emphasizing the nominal fact that the Soviet Union is composed of several allegedly nationalistic independent republics. This fact provides a strong argument in favor of the Soviets.

e) The Soviet claims should be combatted by a strong representation of the true relationship between the Soviet regime and the enslaved national minorities in USSR. In other words, the dynamic forces of truly independent nationalism should be pitted against Soviet ideology in order to combat and to contain its penetration of the underdeveloped countries of the world.

f) The Ukrainian national movement could be made a spearhead of such a nationalistic drive on a world wide basis. This counter propaganda would denounce the Soviet policies and tactics and would demonstrate that the Soviet regime is guilty of the worst type of internal colonialism and that as a factual oppressor

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of the nationalistic minorities in USSR it could not be trusted in the assumed role of protector and supporter of the underdeveloped nations.

3. The nationalistic cause at the present time appears to be the Soviet chosen field of propaganda activity, and the effort of the existing national groups to combat Soviet propaganda has been inefficient in the past because of the lack of unified action on the part of these groups and also because of their narrow-minded chauvinistic approach to the problem.

4. The nationalistic movement as described above could serve as an important weapon in fighting the encroachment and penetration of the Soviet ideology.

5. The Ukrainian Emigre circles throughout the world, numerically and intellectually, represent one of the most important emigre groups that could be entrusted with organizing and leading such a nationalistic movement.

6. The proposed AERODYNAMIC English language publication could be considered as an initial step in this direction.

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