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DATE: 2007

AEVIRGIL AMENMENTS 1 - 5

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PRC Action No. DD/P-310-57

PP STAFF COORDINATION

PROJECT: AEVIRGIL

X	AMENDMENT NO. 5	DIVISION SR
	RENEWAL	BRANCH 3
	TERMINATION	DESK

STAFF CONCURRENCE				MEMORANDUM ATTACHED		
ORGANIZATIONAL ELEMENT	SIGNATURE	COPY NO.	DATE	YES	NO	DATE
Analysis Br. No. 1	<i>[Signature]</i>	2	15 Apr 57			
SSA-DD/S	<i>[Signature]</i>	2	18 Apr 57			
PP/AMD	<i>[Signature]</i>	3	11 Apr 57			
PP/ICD	<i>[Signature]</i>	3	12 Apr 57			
PP/OPS/PR	<i>[Signature]</i>	1	15 April 57			
PP/C/OPS	<i>[Signature]</i>	1	18 Apr 57			

RECOMMEND APPROVAL

D/ CPP	SIGNATURE <i>[Signature]</i>	DATE 19 April 57
A/ DD/ P/ P	SIGNATURE	DATE

(This space reserved for comments of SSA-DD/S; CPP; A/DD/P/P.)

*4 Funds programmed in operating budgets  
2 PRC action required*

AMENDMENT REQUEST

1. Action: Request for Project Amendment No. 5

- A. Project Cryptonym:
- B. Division:
- C. Branch
- D. Desk

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Sr/3/PP

2. Division Concurrences:

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SR/CCP  
Sr/CCP/PP  
CER/3  
SR/SR/ADMIN  
SR/BF  
SR/3/PP  
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5 April 57  
DATE

3 April 1957  
DATE

29 March 1957  
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3 April 1957  
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3 April 1957  
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27 March 1957  
DATE

Case Officer:

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Room 1501 J  
Extension 4402  
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25 March 1957

MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director, Plans  
VIA: Project Review Committee  
SUBJECT: Project AEVIRGIL Amendment No. 5

1. This memorandum suggests action on the part of the DDP. Such requested action is contained in paragraph 6.

2. It is hereby requested that Project AEVIRGIL be amended to provide an additional \$30,700.00 for the balance of the fiscal year 1957 increasing the AEVIRGIL budget from

The additional funds requested will be utilized to cover the costs of maintaining the existing level of printing and balloon operations being carried on by the AEVIRGIL group in Germany and for increased activity on all fronts by the reorganized AEVIRGIL group. The need for additional funds stem primarily from the unanticipated and extraordinary expenses encountered in exploiting the Polish and Hungarian series of events. The increased propaganda output by AEVIRGIL was in compliance with clear Headquarters directives to take every advantage of the dislocation in the Soviet satellites.

3. The objective of Project AEVIRGIL is to conserve, develop and utilize for political and psychological struggle against the USSR the unique human resources constituted by the emigrants from the Soviet Union. To this end, the Central Association of Post-War Emigres (TSOPE), whose headquarters are located in Munich, Germany, has been organized, supported and controlled by CIA exploitation as:

- a) a controlled organizational framework for Soviet emigres;
- b) an incentive to potential defectors;
- c) a vehicle enlisting the talents of Soviet defectors in the Anti-Soviet struggle and as a means for assessment, orientation and training for this purpose;
- d) an attributable source and working mechanism for the active conduct of PW operations against the population of the USSR and Soviet troops in the DDR and;
- e) an effective counter-balance in keeping our other emigre assets honest and maintaining or adjusting the equilibrium of the relative political weight of Agency emigre assets.

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4. The dividends from the CIA investment in AEVIRGIL during the past few years have become very apparent during Fiscal Year 1957. AEVIRGIL has been developed into one of the SR Division's primary PP mechanisms. During FY-56, AEVIRGIL distributed a total of 47,550,637 DIN A-7 leaflet units into the DDR. During the period 1 July 1956 through 31 January 1957, (the 1st 7 months of FY-57), AEVIRGIL increased its propaganda leaflet distribution operations up to 88,671,189 DIN A units, i.e. a twofold increase over the entire last year's output in the 1st half of FY-57. In addition to the quantitative increase in leaflet distribution during FY-57, AEVIRGIL also achieved a significant organizational goal when our effort to broaden the membership base of AEVIRGIL was successful. Through the simple gimmick of a plebiscite among the old AEVIRGIL membership, their support of a change in the bylaws of AEVIRGIL-1 permitted the admission of other than post-war emigres into TSOPE membership. The TSOPE label, which had become well known and which had accrued a certain amount of good will and prestige, was preserved in that the new AEVIRGIL was simply renamed from the "Central Association of Post-War Emigrants from the USSR" to "Central Association of Political Emigrants from the USSR." Since the broadening of AEVIRGIL-1 has been formally announced, 12 new competent and talented members have joined and 45 other desirable personalities are being considered for membership. The reorganized AEVIRGIL-1 allows for significant steps forward and increased activity on all fronts. AEVIRGIL has already expanded its radio broadcast ties and these ties now include VOA in Munich, Radio Nacional in Madrid and BCC in Formosa. AEVIRGIL has also achieved a high level of activity in the political-propaganda field. AEVIRGIL is currently conducting a series of political forum meetings which are attended by many intelligent emigres. These forums develop good literary materials for TSOPE's German and Russian journals. They also attract Germans who are interested in Soviet affairs. It is significant to note that AEVIRGIL-1 has become the target of intensified RIS action. The individual leaders of AEVIRGIL-1 have been receiving threatening letters. The group and its leaders are being vociferously denounced on the pages of the newspaper "For the Return to the Homeland" and in leaflets being circulated among the emigration. The AEVIRGIL-1 office has been broken into twice during the last year. AECADILT-1, a PA interviewer of East Zone visitors to the TSOPE office in Berlin, was kidnapped in December. All this tends to confirm the effectiveness of AEVIRGIL-1 anti-Soviet activity.

5. The consolidated financial statement for Project AEVIRGIL

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at the end of the 1st half of FY-57 is as follows:

ITEM CATEGORIES	TOTAL AUTHORITY	ACTUAL EXPENSES		EST. EXPENSES		TOTAL EST. EXPENSES	EST. SURPLUS OR DEFICIT
		1st HALF FY-57	2nd HALF FY-57	1st HALF FY-57	2nd HALF FY-57		
1. AEVIRGIL Subsidy	[ ]	] [ ]	] [ ]	] [ ]	] [ ]	] [ ]	] [ ]
2. AEVIRGIL non-Subsidy	[ ]	] [ ]	] [ ]	] [ ]	] [ ]	] [ ]	] [ ]
3. AECACOTOL (Balloon Ops)	[ ]	] [ ]	] [ ]	] [ ]	] [ ]	] [ ]	] [ ]
4. Headquarter Allotment	[ ]	] [ ]	] [ ]	] [ ]	] [ ]	] [ ]	] [ ]
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5. TOTALS	[ ]	] [ ]	] [ ]	] [ ]	] [ ]	] [ ]	] [ ]

As noted above, AEVIRGIL balloon operations costs were budgeted at \$64,200.00 for FY-57. Exploitation of the satellite developments during the 1st half of FY-57 required the expenditure of \$48,000.00. Continuation and maintenance of balloon operations at the desirable and effective <sup>monthly</sup> level of 12 million DIN A-7 leaflet units for the last half of FY-57 will cost another \$54,000.00, totaling \$102,000.00 for FY-57. Approval of the amendment request will permit ballooning on the same scale and also enable MOE/AEVIRGIL to pursue its expanded program of organizational activities on all other fronts.

6. Funds are available in the full amount of the amendment request of \$30,700.00 within the SR Division 1957 Operating Budget. AEVIRGIL is being included in the USSR Country Plan for FY 1958 for . It is recommended that approval be granted to the amendment request of Project AEVIRGIL.

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Acting Chief, SR Division

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MATERIEL AND FACILITIES REQUIREMENTS ANNEX

PROJECT - AEVIRGIL - PP

RENEWAL FY-1957 (Revised)

I. MATERIEL

A. ZI

1. Other Supplies	
a. Balloons, J-100	\$ 21,050.00
b. Launching supplies & equipment	<u>250.00</u>
Total ZI	<u>21,300.00</u>

B. Offshore

1. Other Supplies and equipment	
a. Hydrogen	20,650.00
b. Supplies for MOB activities	11,500.00
c. Equipment for MOB activities	500.00
d. Vehicle maintenance, gas & oil	<u>3,000.00</u>
Total Offshore	<u>35,650.00</u>

Total Materiel 56,950.00

II. FACILITIES

A. Offshore

1. Rent and utilities	<u>3,300.00</u>
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Total Facilities 3,300.00

Total Materiel & Facilities 60,250.00

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<b>PROJECT FINANCIAL DATA</b>		PROJECT CRYPTONYM <b>AEVIRGIL - Amendment #5</b>			
		FISCAL PERIOD COVERED <b>1 July 1956 THRU 30 JUNE 1957</b>			
*MAY NOT EXCEED SECRET CLASSIFICATION					
RESPONSIBLE STAFF OR DIVISION <b>SR DIVISION</b>		CASE OFFICER [ ]			
<b>A. PERSONNEL REQUIREMENTS</b>					
Indicate number and type of personnel required and estimated total compensation for salary, allowances, travel and related employee benefits. Include everyone paid from project.					
TYPE	NUMBER		ESTIMATED COMPENSATION		
	U. S. PERSONNEL	FOREIGN NATIONAL	BASE SALARY	ALL OTHER	TOTAL
STAFF EMPLOYEES				[ ]	[ ]
STAFF AGENTS				[ ]	[ ]
CAREER AGENTS					
CONTRACT AGENTS		2	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
CONTRACT CONSULTANTS					
DETAILED PERSONNEL					
FIELD AGENTS		3	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
MILITARY					
ALL OTHER					
TOTAL A.		5	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
<b>B. SUPPLIES, MATERIEL AND EQUIPMENT</b>					
Indicate amount required in applicable spaces. Attach complete supporting list for each.					
COMMO	CHEMICAL	QUARTERMASTER SUPPLIES	OTHER SUPPLIES		
\$	\$	\$	\$ 21,300 - ZI		
MEDICAL	ORDNANCE	SPECIAL DEVICES	OTHER EQUIPMENT		
\$	\$	\$	\$ 32,150 - OP		
			\$ 500 - OP		
TOTAL B.					53,950
<b>C. OTHER OPERATIONAL EXPENSES</b>					
Indicate volume and nature of expenses such as (1) maintenance of two operational houses abroad (2) spot purchase of information, etc.					
	<b>Rents &amp; Utilities . . . . .</b>	3,300			
	<b>Vehicle Maintenance . . . . .</b>	3,000			
	<b>Printing &amp; Reproduction . . . . .</b>	50,000			
	<b>Use of KE Division assets . . . . .</b>	3,000			
	<b>Cut-out costs . . . . .</b>	2,700			
	<b>Miscellaneous . . . . .</b>	4,250			
TOTAL C.					66,250
<b>D. SUBSIDY OR PROPRIETARY PAYMENTS</b>					
If funds are to be turned over to individuals or groups in large lump sums to be expended by the individuals or groups at their discretion to accomplish an agreed-upon objective, explain the type of financial accounts, factual verification or statements, if any, other than a receipt for the lump sum, which will be obtained.					
<b>Accountings in accordance with approved Administrative Plan.</b> <b>Details under this heading are on file in SR Division.</b>					
TOTAL D.					164,000
TOTAL FUND REQUIREMENTS (A + B + C + D)					\$ [ ]

**E. FUNDING REQUIREMENTS**

APPROXIMATE DATES AND AMOUNTS OF MONEY REQUIRED

FORM REQUIRED

U. S. DOLLARS

FOREIGN (SPECIFY)

NEGOTIABLE INSTRUMENTS (SPECIFY)

SPECIAL SECURITY REQUIREMENTS OR METHODS OF TRANSMISSION

**F. SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS**

(Within security limitations, list any other facts or circumstances which will enable Special Support Staff to lend adequate logistical support to this project. Indicate specificationally the "RUSH" or "TIME" factors involved.)