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CENTRAL PLANNING STAFF

PLANNING DIRECTIVE 20b

10 May 1946

SUBJECT: Survey of the Function of Monitoring Press and Propaganda Broadcasts of Foreign Powers

1. In compliance with instructions of the Director of Central Intelligence issued orally at the Advisory Board meeting on 9 May, the Information Branch will call the necessary War Department and State Department representatives, and take additional action as follows:

a. Determine whether or not the State Department can efficiently take over operating responsibility for the function of monitoring press and propaganda broadcasts for foreign powers; and if so, the date when the State Department can assume the responsibility.

b. Ascertain whether the State Department will concur in assignment of the operating responsibility.

c. Recommend to this office appropriate revision, if any, of the action proposed by CIG 1/1 of 26 April.

2. The report and recommendations will be submitted to this office in duplicate, and an additional copy will be furnished the Policy and Review Branch.

3. Deadline:

Action will be expedited. An informal progress report will be submitted on 15 May.

FOR THE ACTING CHIEF, CENTRAL PLANNING STAFF:

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Acting Deputy Chief, Central Planning Staff

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