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TO : Chief, CIA Library

FROM : Chief, Central Records Branch.

SUBJECT: NIS.

DATE: 26 October 1950

1. The following information is submitted in connection with NIS:

a. Current Distribution: (Copies of Distribution Lists Attached)

(1) Bound Elements	Total Production	Standard Dist.		Reserve Stock
NIS 13	700	463		87
NIS 26	750	467		133
All Others	700*	458		92

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*For those NIS Areas on which distribution is not made to total production would be 550 copies

(2) Unbound Elements (Average of IX Chapters and V Supplements)

NIS 13	100	24	---	76
NIS 26	100	24	---	76
All Others	100	24	---	76

(3) Preliminary Gazeteers

All Areas	1000	689	<input type="checkbox"/> Less USSR	311
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b. Stock

(1) Present - Based on actual inventory

NIS - 217 copies average per area, including bound and unbound elements
Gazeteers - 311 copies average per area.

(2) Future - Based on Reserve Stocks indicated in a above, exclusive of returns or supplemental issue.

NIS - 180 copies average per area.
Gazeteers - 311 copies average per area.

(3) Storage space required

- (a) Present - 810 sq. ft.
(b) Yearly Increase - 635.2 sq. ft.
(c) Final - 8,893 sq. ft.

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c. Pertinent Facts.

(1) Total number of copies produced have been established as follows:

	Bound Elements *		Gazeteers	Unbound Elements
	900		1200	100
10 Jan. 50	800	10 Jan. 50	1050	24 Jul. 50 100
28 Feb. 50	750	28 Feb. 50	1000	
20 July 50				
NIS 13	700			
NIS 26	750			
All Others	700			

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*For Areas on which distribution is not made [redacted], total production would be 150 copies less.

(2) In September 1950, a survey of Non-Intelligence Advisory Committee Agencies, regarding Preliminary Gazeteers, had the following results:

- 396 copies were distributed to 6 Agencies.
- 6 Agencies were added to Standard Distribution to receive a total of 10 copies in future.

(3) An additional survey of Non-Intelligence Advisory Committee Agencies conducted by Liaison Division, is now awaiting approval by I&SS with a view to furnishing copies of NIS surveys to those agencies.

(4) [redacted] NIS Division, ORE, recently stated a further study is being made of the NIS program with a view to reducing total production.

2. Top Secret elements have not been considered, since they form a minor portion of the program.



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7 Attachments.

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