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I. Field Studies

(a) Political

Studies on the political, sociological and economic aspects of possible enemy countries. [redacted]

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The strength and composition of dissident groups in enemy countries or enemy occupied countries.

The strength and composition of probable enemy psychological warfare organizations and the methods used by them.

The strength and composition of enemy police and counter-espionage systems.

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(b) Economic

Climatological and hydrographic studies of probable enemy countries.

The communications systems as it relates to press, radio, motion pictures and other facilities of probable enemy countries.

Complete studies on the industrial composition of probable enemy countries with emphasis on vulnerability.

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Collection of accurate maps and charts of probable enemy [redacted] nations.

(c) Statistical

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A complete survey of specialists both foreign and domestic in political, social, cultural and language fields [redacted]

The strength and composition of probable enemy Army, Navy and Air Forces.

II. Opinions and Attitudes

(a) Permanent characteristics

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The national character of the people of possible enemy [redacted] countries.

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The customs and behavior of the people of probable enemy [redacted] countries.

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(b) Current attitudes.

25X1 Current attitudes of probable enemy [redacted] countries.

25X1 The collection of intelligence indicating attitudes of [redacted] foreign groups in the United States.

25X1 Radio intercept of probable enemy [redacted] nations.

Digest of the foreign press and periodicals.

The effect of rumors.

The effect of incidents.

[redacted]

The weaknesses of probable enemy forces - morale, etc.

(c) Reaction to recent events.

The reaction of prisoners of war to psychological warfare measures.

The effect of both white and black propaganda.

III. Contacts

Information on developments in politics, war conditions abroad, getting intelligence from leaders, enlisting personnel for psychological warfare purposes.

Active interviews, correspondence and consultation with foreign national groups and leaders [redacted] General or specific inquiries, listing active personnel, sounding trends, etc.

25X1 Cooperation with other agencies in estimating leaders, developments of warfare, revolution, sabotage in countries abroad [redacted]

25X1 [redacted]

Obtaining information from underground groups by direct contact or other means.

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I. Problem

To determine the intelligence organization required by a P.W. agency in time of war or threat of war as determined by the President and to indicate the type of information desired.

II. Discussion

(a) The agency is dependent on accurate detailed foreign intelligence in order to carry out efficiently Psychological Warfare measures.

(b) The period devoted to peace offers the best period in which to collect certain basic intelligence which may be impossible to obtain in time of war.

(c) In war, continuous effort is required to properly project propaganda and to gauge its potency and effect.

(d) The C.I.A. is the only governmental agency so organized to furnish coordinated evaluated foreign intelligence.

(e) The Department of State, through its Embassies, Consuls and Special Missions to neutral countries, can furnish political intelligence.

(f) The Departments of the Army, Navy and the Air Force can furnish basic strategic and combat intelligence.

(g) The type of intelligence required by a psychological warfare agency is indicated in Appendix A.

(h) The staff organization suggested for collecting the intelligence required is indicated in Appendix B.

III. Conclusion

(a) That accurate coordinated intelligence is a basic requirement for a psychological warfare organization.

(b) That the Departments of State, Army, Navy, Air Force and the C.I.A. are the principal agencies organized to furnish this information.

IV. Recommendation

That the attached chart (Appendix B) be accepted for planning purposes and the suggested draft directive (Appendix C) which will be prepared by the C.I.A. be approved.

APPENDIX A

The Intelligence needed for a Psychological Warfare Organization.

25X1 ✓ 1. Studies on the political, sociological and economic aspects of possible enemy countries [redacted]

25X1 ✓ 2. Current attitudes of probable enemy countries. [redacted]

25X1 ✓ 3. The collection of intelligence indicating attitudes of [redacted] foreign groups in the United States.

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25X1 [redacted]

25X1 ✓ 5. The national character of the people of possible enemy countries. [redacted]

✓ 6. The strength and composition of dissident groups in enemy countries or enemy occupied countries.

✓ 7. The strength and composition of probable enemy psychological warfare organizations and the methods used by them.

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✓ 9. Climatological and hydrographic studies of probable enemy countries.

✓ 10. The communications systems as it relates to press, radio, motion pictures and other facilities of probable enemy countries.

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25X1 ✓ 12. Complete studies on the industrial composition of probable enemy countries with emphasis on vulnerability.

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25X1 ✓ 14. Radio intercept of probable enemy [redacted] nations.

✓ 15. Digest of the foreign press and periodicals.

✓ 16. The effect of rumors.

✓ 17. The effect of incidents.

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✓ 19. [redacted]

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✓ 20. Collection of accurate maps and charts of probable enemy [redacted] nations.

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✓ 21. A complete survey of specialists both foreign [redacted] in political, social, cultural and language fields of probable enemy [redacted] countries.

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✓ 22. Information on developments in politics, war conditions abroad, getting intelligence from leaders, enlisting personnel for psychological warfare purposes.

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✓ 23. Active interviews, correspondence and consultation with foreign national groups [redacted] General or specific inquiries, listing active personnel, scouting trends, etc.

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✓ 24. Cooperation with other agencies in estimating leaders, developments of warfare, revolution, sabotage in countries abroad [redacted]

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✓ 25. Obtaining information from underground groups by direct contact or other means.

✓ 26. The strength and composition of probable enemy Army, Navy and Air Forces.

✓ 27. The weaknesses of probable enemy forces - morale, etc.

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APPENDIX G

MEMORANDUM FOR: INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY COUNCIL

SUBJECT: Psychological Warfare Intelligence
Reference SWNCC 304/1

1. The terms of reference contained in paragraph 8c Appendix A of SWNCC 304/1, revised 30 April 1947, in the Charter of the SWNCC Subcommittee on Psychological Warfare is quoted as follows: "The Subcommittee on Psychological Warfare shall utilize the services of the Central Intelligence Group (CIG) for necessary intelligence in the preparation of plans, studies and reports."

2. The Central Intelligence Agency is at present preparing plans and studies which are designed to meet the intelligence requirements of a Psychological Warfare Agency to be established "in time of war or threat of war as determined by the President."

3. In order to effect coordination of effort in this respect, so that properly evaluated intelligence may be furnished the Psychological Warfare Agency, when it is established, it is requested that the Department of State and the Departments of the Army, Navy and Air Force prepare detailed plans for the collection of psychological warfare intelligence. It is also considered desirable that the detailed organizational chart of personnel who will be required to collect such intelligence be indicated by each Department.

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