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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Intelligence)

SUBJECT : Typical Soviet Worker's Dwellings

REFERENCE : Your Verbal Request

1. The attached article taken from the August issue of Housing Construction for 1964, a Soviet publication shows external views and several floor plans of standard state housing for workers (worker's settlement Denskoj). These floor plans are believed to be typical of the housing being built in the Soviet Union at the present time.

2. Certain titles and figures have been translated for the recipient's convenience.

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Typical Soviet Worker's Dwellings

Source: Zhilishchnoye Stroitel'stvo
Housing Construction, August 1964, pp. 17-19. U.

The attached article on housing in the worker's settlement "Donskoy" shows both external views and floor plans of standard state housing for workers. Typical housing built for Soviet workers since 1950, has been multi-storied apartment houses.

The figure titles are:

Figure 1 (Puc. 1)
Street in worker's settlement Donskoy.

Figure 2
One of the inner courtyards of the apartments.

Figure 3
Floor Plan of house series 1-257-6 Sh b
a - corner section b - end section

Figure 4
Floor Plan of house series 1-257-11 Sh b
a - inner section b - end section

Figure 5
Floor Plan of house for Volgograd Hydro Construction Project
a - inner section b - end section

Figure 6
Floor Plan of house series 1-438-7
a - inner section b - end section

In the plans the lineal measurements are in centimeters and the figures inside the rooms are in square meters. In figures 5 & 6b the top figure is square meters of living space and the bottom figure is square meters of total space in each apartment.

Living space according to Soviet definitions includes only living rooms and bedrooms. Halls, closets, bathrooms, and kitchens are not included in living space.

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The article is concerned with questions of how the size of apartments being built corresponds to family size. According to this article there is an average of 7.47 square meters of living space per inhabitant but the actual space received per inhabitant varies from 3 to 18 square meters of living space because the sizes of apartments built do not correspond closely to sizes of families.

The long stated goal of the USSR for housing is 9 square meters of living space per person. The present average for the country as a whole, however, is slightly over 6 square meters.

Tables 1 and 2 on page 18 show the distribution of apartments by size and families by size in Donskoy.

Table 1

<u>Type Apartment</u>	<u>Living Space (in square meters)</u>	<u>Total Number of Apartments</u>	<u>Percentage Relationship</u>
One Room	17.5-18.5	192	27.6
Two Room	27-31	232	33.5
Three Room	39-49	252	36.5
Four Room	62	18	2.4

Table 2

<u>Number of Persons in Family</u>	<u>Number of Families</u>	<u>Percentage Relationship</u>	<u>Number of Persons</u>	<u>Percentage Relationship</u>
1	-	-	639	14.9
2	174	17.2	348	8.0
3	345	34.0	1,035	24.0
4	277	27.2	1,108	25.4
5	150	14.8	750	17.4
6	53	5.2	318	7.4
7	8	0.8	56	1.3
8 and more	8	0.8	64	1.6
Total	1,015	100.0	4,318	100.0