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Proposed Interim Guidance for FEG

Events of the past several weeks have produced changes which significantly affect FEG operations. These include:

1. A situation in Hungary resulting from the spontaneous revolution, put down in a blood bath by Soviet troops, in which the Soviet Union now virtually occupies the country; and with a Soviet commandatura for all practical purposes now governing the country; a puppet government without semblance of popular support; a violently anti-Soviet and anti-Communist population passively resisting by means of a general strike; guerilla warfare in some areas; tens of thousands of dead and wounded; a people who requested western assistance at the height of their rebellion against the Soviet Union and who are now, at the least, disappointed that such assistance did not arrive and, at the worst, may become almost as anti-West as they are anti-Soviet as a result; deportations of Hungarian youth and others to Soviet Russia; and in which the attempts of the United Nations to aid the Hungarian people appear to be largely unproductive.

2. A "new" Hungarian emigration in the West, numbering some 20,000-30,000 and increasing daily.

3. A substantial loss of prestige on the part of the Soviet Union in the Free World, including neutralist areas and groups, and among many communist parties.

4. <sup>moment</sup> A situation in Poland in which, from all that can be judged at this time, the Polish people appear to be willing to support the Gomulka regime for the time being, at least. It is reasonable to assume that such support in the long term will be directly proportionate to the degree he is successful in

meeting the demands of the people for greater freedom from Soviet control and <sup>individual</sup> for greater/freedom;and economic improvement.

5. A significant decrease in the jamming of Western broadcasts, including RFE into Poland, <sup>while</sup> it is assumed <sup>to reflect</sup> as a matter of official Polish policy. A significant decrease in jamming of Western broadcasts to Hungary, probably because of the general situation in that country, rather than <sup>the result</sup> as a matter of policy <sup>Soviet or Kadar regime policy</sup> of the Soviet Union or the Hungarian puppet government.

6. Reported unrest, particularly on the part of students and young intellectuals in the other Satellites.

7. An increased state of alert and readiness of local security units in Czechoslovakia, Rumania and Bulgaria as a result of nationalist pressures heightened by developments in Hungary and Poland.

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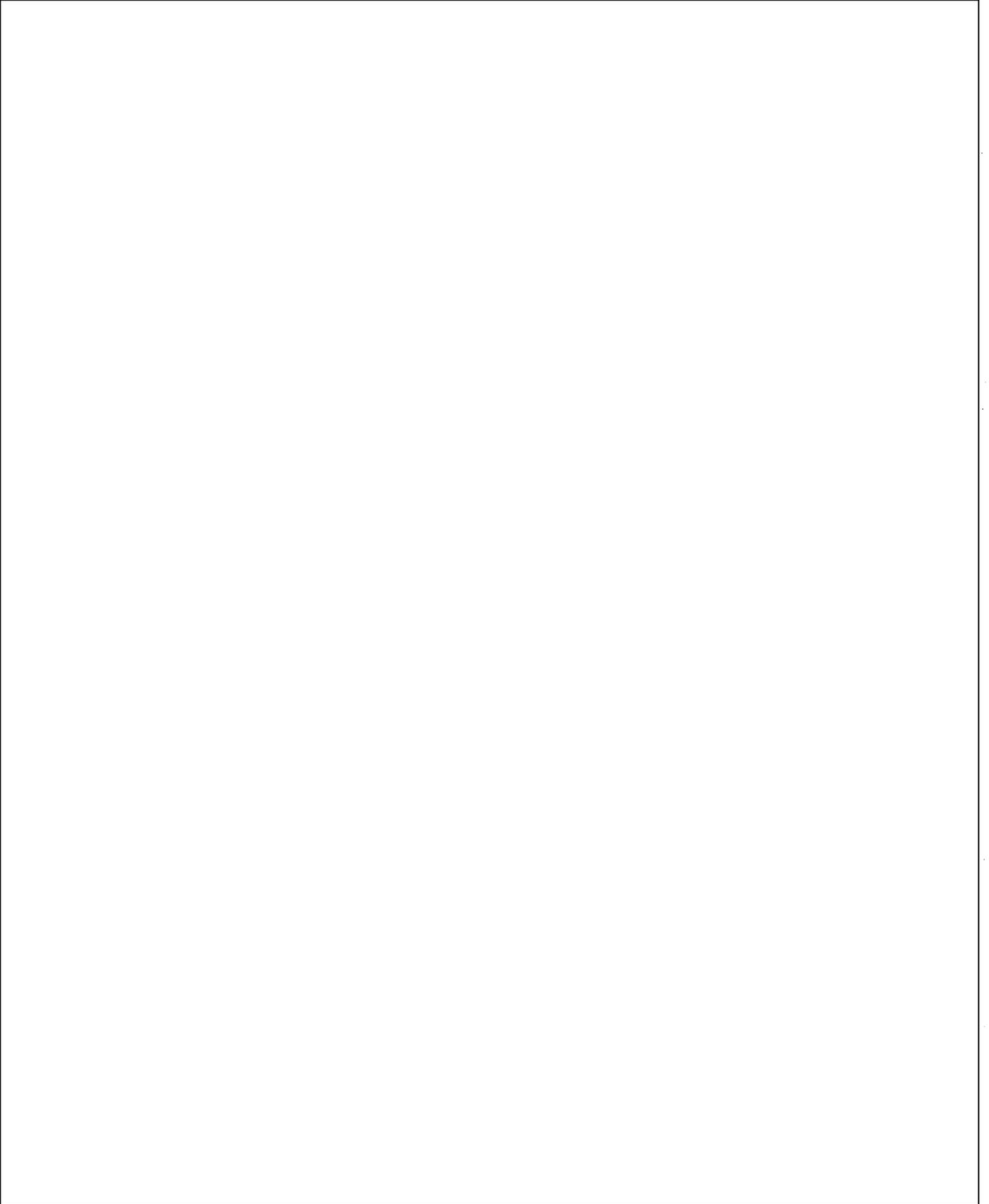
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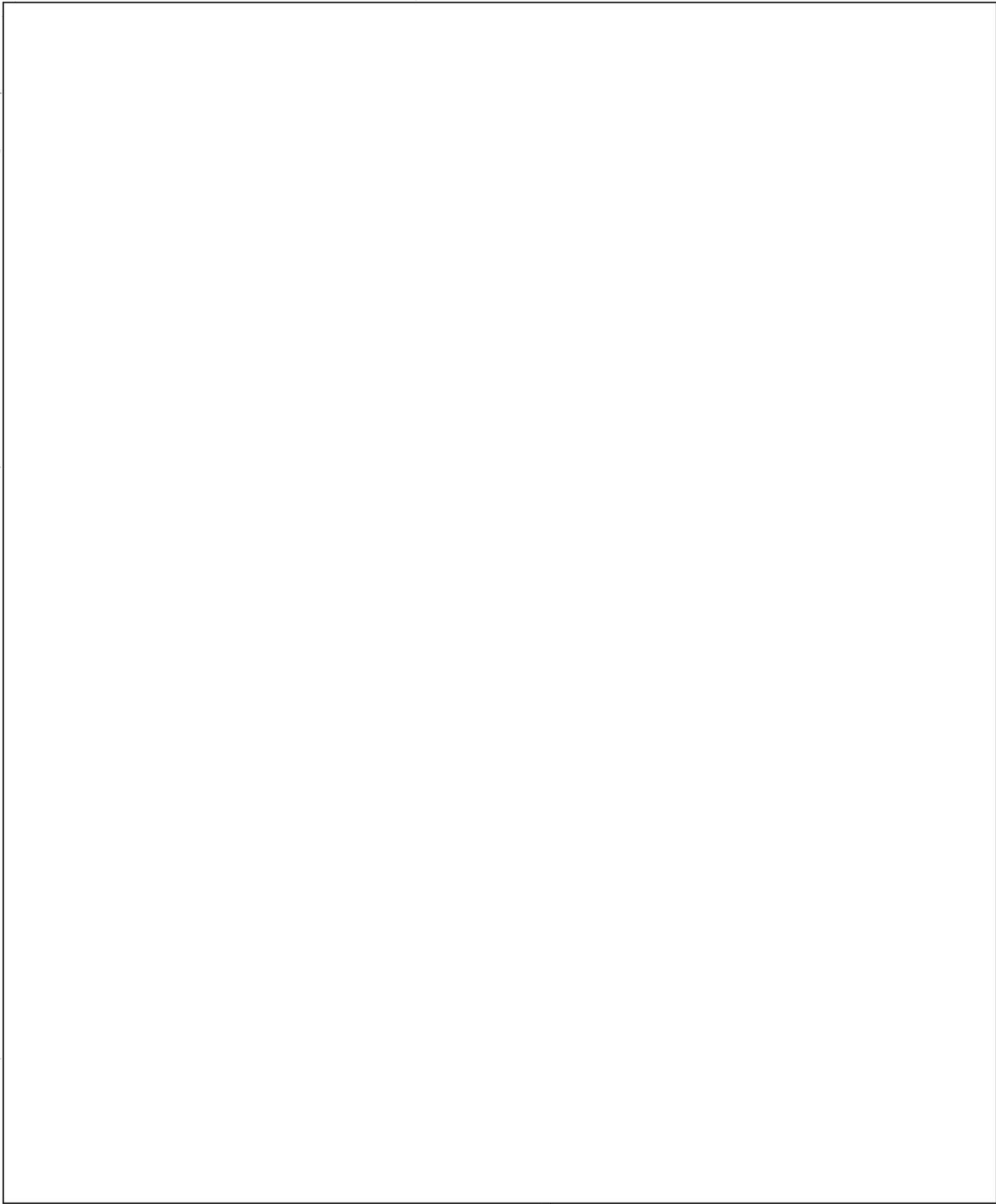
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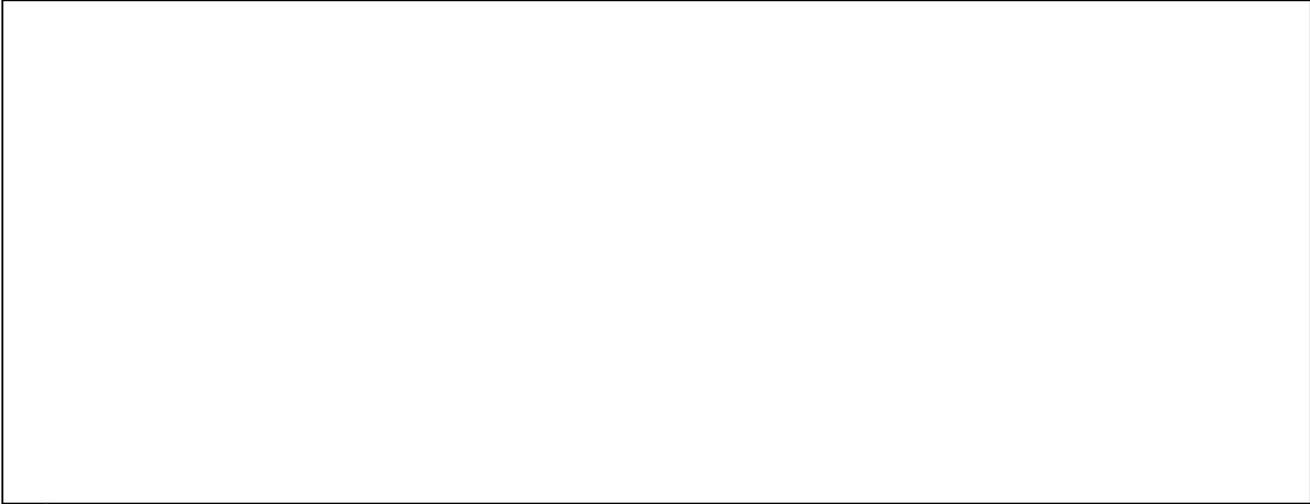
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