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SUMMARY REQUEST FOR RENEWAL

Division Project Clearance Sheet

1. ACTION: Request for Renewal, Fiscal Year 1958

- a. Project Cryptonym DTLINEN
- b. Division Eastern European
- c. Branch EE/Germany

2. DIVISION CONCURRENCES:

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PROJECT DTLINEN

Summary Request for Renewal

PROJECT: DTLINEN

1. Dates of original approval, renewals, amendments

Originally approved on 24 May 1949 as sub-project of QKDEMON
Project Outline (Revised): Approved 16 August 1949
Project Amendment #1: Approved 25 August 1950
Renewal for Fiscal Year 1955: Approved 30 December 1954
Renewal for Fiscal Year 1957: Approved 22 October 1956
Amendment #2: Approved 5 February 1957

2. Funds used by Fiscal Year since initiation of project:

	<u>ALLOTTED</u>	<u>OBLIGATED</u>
FY 1950		
1951		
1952		
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TOTAL	[]	[]

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3. Objective and project proposal:

The project objective is to harass and weaken the Soviet administration of East Germany and the East German puppet regime, to help promote and sustain popular anti-Communist resistance within East Germany, and to help expose conditions within the Soviet Zone to the Western world. It is proposed that CIA continue its financial subsidy and guidance to the Kampfgruppe gegen Unmenschlichkeit (KgU) for the psychological warfare purposes indicated above.

4. Statement of accomplishments during the past year and estimate of effectiveness.

It is believed that project DTLINEN continues to be an effective instrument for the accomplishment of its aims. Among the reasons for this belief are the letters, telephone calls, and personal visits to the KgU headquarters as a result of KgU activities (145 such reactions were noted during June of 1957) and the counter attacks undertaken by the East German government which include the publication of a 278 page book devoted to the

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KgU for which the printing costs alone are estimated well in excess of \$50,000. Technical intelligence collection has confirmed the concern felt by the East German Government regarding the activities of the KgU and has proven that the East German security forces occupy a good deal of their time in checking on and trying to counteract these activities.

With the exception of East German administrative harassment operations which have been de-emphasized at least until after the September 1957 West German elections, the KgU equalled or exceeded previous high figures in all fields of activity. The KgU produces monthly the following six brochures having a similar two to four page format:

Die Wahrheit - has been appearing for over two years. It concentrates on presenting the Western viewpoint on major news items of current interest and is written in a manner to interest the broad mass of the DDR population. 100,000 copies are distributed.

Der Kaempfer - is directed toward members of the DDR armed forces. It concentrates on the presentation of military, naval, and air news with a western twist. It currently is in its second year of publication. 20,000 copies are distributed.

Der Parteiarbeiter - is designed for the consumption of the functionaries of the SED (East German Communist Party). The articles contained therein concentrate on the presentation of German and world-wide news coverage of Communist Party affairs. It first appeared in the beginning of 1957. 20,000 copies are distributed.

Geist und Leben - concentrates on news coverage of items relating to DDR cultural affairs. It exposes the numerous maneuvers used by the DDR government to suppress and control church and other spiritual activities in East Germany. It first appeared in the beginning of 1957. Distribution is in 10,000 copies.

Elternhaus und Schule - concentrates on news of special interest to parents and students and other persons involved in pedagogical life. It first appeared in early 1957. 20,000 copies are distributed.

KgU Archiv - is the KgU's major publication designed specifically for Western consumption. It is a collection of KgU editorial comment on the prevailing situation in East Germany and cold war developments which affect East German policies. When the KgU has been exposed to West German criticism motivated by erroneous and/or provocative material, the Archiv has also been used to present the KgU's position and to expose the fallacious material. The KgU has produced the Archiv for several years. It is distributed in 10 to 20,000 copies by mail to West Berlin and West Germany.

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The KgU also produces the KgU Dienst, a monthly summary report of conditions in East Germany. It is distributed in approximately 500 copies to West Berlin and West German government officials and offices, newspapers, press services and other interested persons. The Eastern Affairs Division of the United States Berlin Mission states that the Dienst is one of the best references currently available on developments in East Germany.

The KgU's main effort however is concentrated on leaflets, harassment letters and other media which are produced to exploit specific developments and situations. In the first half of 1957 the KgU produced ten separate leaflets exploiting various aspects of East German political and/or social life. Two of these leaflets were directed at East German laborers and concentrated on the formation of East German worker committees and the introduction of the 45 hour week. There is good reason to believe that these items have been particularly effective and that they have influenced, to some degree, current East German labor policies. The KgU produced a series of four leaflets devoted to the exploitation and discreditation of the East German communal elections on 23 June.

The KgU maintains a legally established, easily accessible headquarters in West Berlin which offers guidance and a number of services to East German refugees and visitors from East Germany. The KgU's West Berlin headquarters is visited by over 1,000 East Germans per month.

The KgU maintains within East Germany a group (currently 66) of co-workers who provide the KgU with information on conditions inside the DDR on which propaganda output can be based and who perform a number of distribution, security (e.g. neighborhood name checks), and evaluation functions. The KgU co-workers in the DDR provide extensive reports on conditions within the DDR. These reports often contain valuable intelligence items.

5. Plans for Ensuing Year.

It is planned to continue the activities of the KgU at the same level as during the past fiscal year. No major changes are anticipated.

Estimated funds requirements for DTLINEN in the amount of [redacted] are requested for FY 1958.
were included in the EE Division Operational Program for Fiscal Year 1958 approved by the DCI 2 August 1957.

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