

NOTIFICATION OF APPROVAL

SUBJECT **Project DTPILLAR** **IOD-2**

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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Project Renewal	<input type="checkbox"/>	
<input type="checkbox"/>	Project Amendment	<input type="checkbox"/>	Termination

DATE OF APPROVAL **8 April 1955**

APPROVING AUTHORITY **DD/P \***

AMOUNT   FISCAL YEAR **1955**

CONDITIONS OF APPROVAL:

**\* Approved with the understanding that the Project's Administrative Plan will be revised as soon as possible**

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FY 1955 Renewal

Project Cryptonym: DTPILLAR

Amendment No. \_\_\_\_\_

Sub-Project Cryptonym: \_\_\_\_\_

Originating Division IOD

Recommend Approval: [Signature] APR 8 1955  
A/DD/P/P Date

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For Deputy Director (Plans) Date

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SENIOR STAFF PROJECT CLEARANCE SHEET

1. Identification

a. Project Cryptonym: **DTPILLAR** d. Division: **IOD**  
 b. Sub-project Cryptonym: e. Branch:  
 c. Amendment No. f. Desk:

2. Element	Staff Coordination		Copy#	Date	Memo	Memo	No	Date of Memorandum
	Signature							
a. C/FI	Initialed Routing Sheet		7	7 April '55				
b. C/FE	(See underneath)		6					
c. C/NEA	[Signature]	[ ]	5	4/5/55				
d. DD/P-C/IR	[Signature]	[ ]	4	7 April '55				
e. PAPS	[Signature]	[ ]	2	29 Mar '55				
f. SSA (Comp)	[Signature]	[ ]	2	6 Apr '55				
g. <del>DD/STCM</del> SSA/Pers	[Signature]	[ ]	2	30 Mar '55 30 March '55				
h. SKA/DDS	[Signature]	[ ]	2	6 Apr '55				
i. PP/OPS/PR	[Signature]	[ ]	3					
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3. Concurred in and forwarded to DD/P by: **ROBIN L. BAKER** **APR 8**  
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PROJECT OUTLINE CLEARANCE SHEET

Project Cryptonym DTPILLAR Amendment No. \_\_\_\_\_

Sub-Project Cryptonym \_\_\_\_\_

Developed by: [Signature] IO/2 10 March 1955  
(Case Officer) Organization Date

MAR 17 1955  
Date

Concurrences [Signature]  
Chief, 1<sup>st</sup> Division

MAR 14 1955  
Date

(SIGNED) [Signature]  
Chief, IO/Admin

24 Mar 55  
Date

[Signature]  
Cover Division

25 March 55  
Date

[Signature]  
Chief Staff

14 MAR 1955  
Date

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Date

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for CFE

Approved Subject to Conditions Below: \_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Conditions of Approval: \_\_\_\_\_  
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## 1. OBJECTIVE:

Creation of private action groups and private institutions in Asia which will counteract the appeals of communism by providing expanding opportunities to Asians to achieve their legitimate goals by their own efforts and by democratic means.

## 2. ORIGIN AND POLICY ORIGIN

- a. Origin: NSC 10/2. Now NSC 5412 and NSC 162/2.
- b. Approved: DTPILLAR FY 1955 Program approved by DCI on 10 August 1954.
- c. Proposed: By Headquarters.

## 3. SITUATION:

### General

The private action group, which has been a major bulwark of democracy in the United States, has been almost unknown until recently in Asia. As the nations of Asia after World War II demanded both political independence and economic progress, the communists were quick to exploit their discontent and to do so through the use of private "indigenous" organizations. DTPILLAR was established to counter communist propaganda propagated through these "indigenous" puppets by creating democratically-oriented indigenous organizations which would not only express the beliefs of the Free World but would provide an alternative to communist appeals - a means of achieving Asian goals, without resort to political subversion, through private, cooperative action.

### Representation

DTPILLAR is now represented in the following countries of Asia: Japan, Korea, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Philippine Islands, Burma, Thailand, Malaya, Indonesia, Cambodia, Ceylon, Pakistan (Karachi, Dacca, and Lahore), and Afghanistan. It expects to be represented in South Vietnam shortly, leaving only India without representation. The adverse attitude of the Indian Government makes it improbable that DTPILLAR will be permitted to conduct activities there any time in the foreseeable future.

### Accomplishments

The following are among the principal DTPILLAR accomplishments in Asia since its establishment:

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## 1. Youth

a. DTPILLAR aid and guidance have been responsible for the establishment of three regional councils and at least six related youth centers directed by leading Ceylonese citizens for vocational and other training. This youth movement has been of such proportions as to invite continuing communist attack and, lately, a reported communist effort to establish a rival youth center in one area.

b. In Japan, the Philippines, Burma, Malaya, Pakistan and Ceylon, particularly, DTPILLAR has given aid to 4-H, Boy and Girl Scout, and Girl Guide and other youth organizations, including financing their attendance at international conferences, providing leadership training, and aiding in the publication of their magazines and pamphlets.

c. In Japan a council of university student organizations has been formed with DTPILLAR aid which it is hoped will eventually challenge the communist-controlled Zengakuren for dominance with university students. In addition a university news service covering several campuses, a student broadcasting organization, and a Korean student organization in Japan have been aided.

d. In Burma DTPILLAR is supporting a nation-wide Buddhist youth organization. In Pakistan, it contributed through guidance and financial aid to the first International Assembly of Muslim Youth, attended by about 2,000 Muslim youth, and is on a close working basis with the secretary-general of the permanent IMY organization which resulted from this Assembly.

## 2. Education

a. In Japan, in collaboration with respected democratically-oriented educators, DTPILLAR has inaugurated a program of importing from the United States used and surplus Western textbooks, particularly in the social science fields, for use in Japanese universities where they are otherwise not available. This program will be extended to other areas of Asia and is achieving the cooperation of numerous American colleges and universities.

b. In Japan also an Institute for Democratic Education has been formed with DTPILLAR support which is promoting research and writing in the techniques of democratic education and is sponsoring organizational activity among teachers and educators as a challenge to the communist-controlled teachers' union.

c. In Ceylon and in East Pakistan DTPILLAR has helped establish textbook publishing companies which will enlarge the numbers of democratically-oriented textbooks available for the school systems. In Afghanistan DTPILLAR is providing law textbooks

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to the University of Kabul and assistance to the Ministry of Education for the publication of textbooks.

## 3. Women

a. In Japan DTPILLAR has helped in the organization of a women's association and in its production of a radio program and a women's magazine.

b. In Ceylon DTPILLAR has helped a leading women's organization in its development of a self-help training program for rural women and in its sponsorship of a regional conference of Asian women.

c. In West Pakistan it has given continuing aid to the All-Pakistan Women's Association for a comprehensive program of adult education and for a program of model refugee colonies which includes programs of self-help training.

d. As in other fields, DTPILLAR has provided opportunities for Asian women to secure leadership training by visiting American women's organizations.

## 4. Labor

a. DTPILLAR has made possible the publication of a labor newspaper in Malaya.

b. It has helped establish a labor training institute in Pakistan.

c. It has established a labor training institute in Burma.

## 5. Overseas Chinese

a. Through scholarships, faculty aid, a student hostel, and support to research activities, it has made possible the continued existence in Hong Kong of the so-called "refugee colleges". By aid to these colleges and scholarships to them and to the University of Taiwan for overseas Chinese students, it has provided an alternative to higher education which might otherwise be sought on the communist Mainland.

b. Through aid to a Chinese student newspaper published in Hong Kong, it has been able to establish a link between Chinese youth of Hong Kong, Malaya, Indonesia, and Burma, where editions of this newspaper are now being published. The newspaper serves not only as a source of news but as a focal point for organizational activities among overseas Chinese youth.

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c. By means of a program of advance royalty payments, it has made possible a Chinese literary program in Hong Kong which has produced more than 85 anti-communist books for dissemination in Southeast Asia. The books are published by a DTPILLAR-supported publishing concern.

d. Six Chinese periodicals targetted separately at intellectuals, businessmen, children, students, and movie audiences, are published with DTPILLAR support in Hong Kong. In the third quarter of 1954 of the 218,592 copies of these magazines published, 146,508 were distributed in the Chinese communities of Southeast Asia.

e. DTPILLAR also supports a research group in Hong Kong studying Chinese Mainland affairs which has been described as one of the best sources of information on Communist China in existence.

## 6. Religion

### a. Buddhists

(1) With DTPILLAR support a group of Burmese Buddhist priests have established a program of lectures in the remote areas of Burma on the subject of Buddhist antipathy to communism. Over 1,500,000 persons heard these lectures in 1954.

(2) A Buddhist youth group in Burma, with DTPILLAR assistance, has sent a full-time adult organizer to Upper Burma to organize youth groups in the schools of that area.

(3) A Buddhist publishing program with Asia-wide import has been made possible by DTPILLAR's contribution of printing equipment to one of the major Buddhist organizations of Burma.

(4) A substantial grant has been given to a Buddhist university in Thailand to improve the secular education of the Buddhist clergy, particularly in the social science field, and thereby improve the educational system under clerical dominance as a whole.

### b. Muslims

(1) DTPILLAR has provided support to a Muslim society in Pakistan for a variety of educational purposes, including the provision of scholarships for study in Islamic philosophy and in the social sciences.

(2) See 1 (d) above.

## 7. Media

### a. Movies

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(1) DTPILLAR is supporting a Chinese movie company in Hong Kong which in 1954 produced two anti-communist films which have been distributed in Southeast Asia with good reception.

(2) A script of the life of Buddha prepared for DTPILLAR has been purchased by MGM for early production.

## b. Radio

(1) The Philippine radio program for farmers which is produced under the direction of the Philippine office of DTPILLAR and sponsored by Calson as a public service program is now the third-ranking morning program in popularity.

(2) With DTPILLAR assistance to the National Association of Broadcasters, a Radio-TV Workshop has been established in Japan which is seeking to indoctrinate its students in concepts of public service radio and television. Three Japanese universities are now utilizing the Workshop for credit courses.

## c. Newspapers

(1) DTPILLAR and the Harvard Corporation have agreed to DTPILLAR sponsorship of 2-3 Nieman journalism fellowships for Asian journalists. DTPILLAR has also provided funds for journalism scholarships at Stanford University.

(2) DTPILLAR is developing a program of support to the Japan Newspaper Publishers and Editors Association to make it possible for member organizations to send correspondents to Asian countries where they are now financially unable to do so.

(3) In the Philippines a news and feature service is supported by DTPILLAR which supplies provincial newspapers with information not otherwise available to them.

(4) An Asia-wide Chinese news agency is supported by DTPILLAR.

(5) A newspaper for Asian students in the U.S. is published directly by DTPILLAR.

## d. Intelligence By-Product

The activities of DTPILLAR representatives bring them into touch with a great variety of Asian leaders and governmental figures. As a result they are frequently in a position to get information not otherwise available to the Agency. Between 1 December 1954 and 1 March 1955, DTPILLAR reports have resulted in 21 CS and 60 dissemiinations.

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## 4. PROPOSAL:

To continue DTPILLAR, a proprietary project, for the purpose of developing and strengthening in Asia private organizations and institutions which make possible the attainment of Asian objectives through democratic means.

## 5. OPERATIONAL OUTLINE:

### a. Sub-proposals or Tasks

- (1) Develop and strengthen private organizations among youth, teachers, women, labor, writers, journalists, religious leaders and others in Asia which will endeavor to solve their special problems and at the same time provide training in democratic action.
- (2) Stimulate practical training for the leaders or potential leaders of these organizations, including provision of scholarships for advanced training, assisting their attendance at international conferences of these or related organizations, etc.
- (3) Develop greater common efforts among Asians for the solution of their mutual problems by assisting the exchange within Asia of scholars, journalists, writers, etc.
- (4) Promote improved educational facilities in Asia, concentrating particularly on providing opportunities for increased contact with Western thought, particularly in the field of the social sciences.
- (5) Strengthen the influence of Asian religious leaders who recognize the antipathy between their religions and communism in order that the faithful may more readily resist communist appeals for support.
- (6) Encourage the production by Asians of literary and cultural works which stress the values of freedom and democracy to Asian societies. Assist organizations working in behalf of cultural freedom.
- (7) Encourage activities leading to a more informed and free press in Asia.
- (8) In general, develop concepts of community responsibility and civic-consciousness.
- (9) Develop Chinese organizations, educational institutions, and media to counter the influence of Chinese communists among the overseas Chinese communities and to encourage the Chinese to become loyal and cooperative citizens of their countries of residence.

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(10) Continue and expand those specific activities which are set forth above under "Accomplishments".

b. Key Personnel

There is a Board of Trustees composed of 26 American leaders chosen from a variety of fields. The Board members serve largely as sponsors of DTPILLAR and exercise little power except to the extent that members may be called upon individually for advice. A greater power rests in the Executive Committee, made up of the President of DTPILLAR and seven members of the Board, which meets once a month and approves major policies and programs. On a day-to-day basis DTPILLAR is run by the President who is chosen by the Executive Committee with the approval of CIA and who has a large measure of discretion in the management of its activities. He has a total staff of about 140 persons - in San Francisco, where the main headquarters is located, a staff of about 80 Americans and 9 Asians; in New York - a small staff of 3 Americans; and in 13 countries (and colonies) of Asia, including three cities within Pakistan, about 30 Americans and 18 indigenous employees. The indigenous employees are primarily in clerical capacities. The staff in each country consists typically of one representative, who has considerable discretionary authority for the conduct of the DTPILLAR programs in his area, one or two assistant representatives, and a small clerical staff primarily of Asians but usually with one American administrative assistant.

c. Indigenous groups and/or leaders

As set forth above, DTPILLAR assists a great variety of private indigenous organizations and persons.

d. Target Groups

Youth and students, teachers and educators, labor leaders, journalists, civic leaders, writers, publishers, broadcasters, intellectuals, religious leaders, etc.

e. Duration

Indefinite. Has been in existence since 7 February 1951.

f. Graphic Illustrations and Exhibits

- (1) Attachment 1 - Statement of Purpose and Activities.  
Contains list of Board of Trustees
- (2) Attachment 2 - Chart of DTPILLAR Organization
- (3) Attachment 3 - Chart of Field Offices

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(k) Attachment k - Charts of Country Activities  
(in those areas where there have  
been representatives for sufficient time)

## 6. SECURITY:

### a. COVER

The source of funds originally claimed by DTPILLAR, in common with [ ], was [ ]. This association was dropped in April 1953 in view of the differing characters of DTPILLAR and [ ] and the former's desire to divorce itself from any appearance of propagandism. No alternative cover was found except "individual private donors" until the creation of [ ] on 16 December 1954 as a funding device for DTPILLAR. [ ] has an outstanding Board of Trustees composed of persons well-known in Asia and, by contributing to other projects in Asia as well as to DTPILLAR, should be able to sustain its own cover and enhance DTPILLAR's. Additional arrangements are being made in cooperation with the Cover Division to provide DTPILLAR with one or two additional attributable sources of contributions.

Despite the past deficiency of cover and the fact that the connection between the U.S. Government and DTPILLAR has been speculated upon in some private quarters, particularly American, the activities of DTPILLAR have not been noticeably impaired, as indicated by the fact that reputable Asian leaders continue to look to it for aid and by the fact that it has received the support publicly of several key political leaders (see para. 11 c below). In the long run, the cover of the organization depends more on the character of the Board of Trustees, its public relations in this country, and its activities in Asia than on a specific source to which funds may be attributed. So long as DTPILLAR is known to be engaged in the disinterested support of democratic private Asian groups and does not appear an instrument for covert manipulation or for political intervention, its cover may be considered adequate.

### b. Knowledgeability

The Board of Trustees and the Executive Committee of DTPILLAR are fully cleared and witting of its connection with CIA. All of the Americans on the overseas staff are witting and about one-half of the Americans staff in this country. The British intelligence services are witting of CIA interest in DTPILLAR. The French intelligence services know of general U.S. Governmental approval only. Other Asian governments and intelligence services have not been made witting.

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c. Operational Security

Operational security is maintained by the Security policies set forth in Policy Directive No. 5, paragraph IV, a revised copy of which, dated 10 September 1954, is attached as Attachment No. 5.

d. Risk

No significant risk exists in the operation. Exposure of a U.S. Government connection with the project does not constitute an unmanageable risk inasmuch as any activity emanating from the U.S. is subject to that charge, whether true or untrue. Moreover, it would appear that Asian organizations themselves will, whatever their knowledge or presumption, maintain the fiction of DTPILLAR's private nature because it is useful to them to do so.

e. Personnel Disposal

No problems in the security sense. There are four and may shortly be five staff agents on the DTPILLAR staff who must be reassigned in event of termination of the project.

f. Disaster Plan

A reserve fund of [ ] is held in bonds in DTPILLAR's name to cover its obligations in the event of hasty termination of its activities. Records concerning this fund are held in the office of the Comptroller of CIA.

It is understood that DTPILLAR personnel overseas will be included in any Agency plan covering the removal of Agency personnel from threatened areas.

**7. COORDINATION:**

a. Relation to Other Projects

This project is specifically related to [ ], which provides for a funding cover mechanism for DTPILLAR; to [ ], which provides for cooperation between DTPILLAR and [ ]; and to [ ], which provides for assistance by a CIA staff agent in spotting Asian students at a west coast university who may be useful to DTPILLAR. There are occasional cooperative activities between DTPILLAR and other IO Division projects such as [ ] and [ ].

b. Significance within the over-all program in the area

This project bears the responsibility for a significant portion of the "gray" area of PP activity in Asia, supplementing

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the concentration of USIA on the "white" area and FE and NEA on the "black". Its special contribution lies in the development of a complex of indigenous Asian organizations which are not merely mechanisms of covert activity but legitimate organizations working for Asian objectives which should in time be able to sustain themselves as autonomous, private democratic action groups functioning on their own steam.

**c. Extent of Coordination**

Special liaison arrangements with the Far East and Near East Divisions are in existence and functioning successfully. Both Divisions have reviewed the project's annual budgets, which include detailed statements of programs for the forthcoming year. Arrangements for coordination in the field between the CIA senior representatives and the representatives of DTPILLAR are set forth in the Rules Governing DTPILLAR/MUBARK Field Liaison, attached as Attachment No. 6.

The Department of State, through established liaison channels, is kept currently informed by IO/E of DTPILLAR activities, and its advice is sought on major policy problems.

DTPILLAR maintains its own liaison with the British in Hong Kong and Singapore, and liaison is conducted as the need arises by IO with the British Embassy in Washington through the regular Agency channel.

**8. CONTROL:**

**a. MATTERS OF**

Control arrangements are set forth in a Memorandum of Understanding between CIA and the Executive Committee of DTPILLAR, attached as Attachment No. 7, and in Policy Directive No. 5, which is Attachment No. 8. The purpose for which DTPILLAR was established and general policy is set forth in Policy Directive No. 6, which is Attachment No. 9.

According to the terms of these agreements, ultimate policy, security, and financial control rests with CIA. The primary methods for effectuating this control are: (a) requirement of CIA approval of an annual budget for DTPILLAR, which approval is prerequisite to the allotment of funds; (b) an annual audit; and (c) day-to-day liaison with Branch 2 of the IO Division, by which major policy and program matters are cleared with CIA and security clearances are processed. An ultimate operational control exists in the authority of the Senior CIA Representative in the field to wield a temporary veto over a DTPILLAR activity pending final decision at Headquarters. (See paragraph 2 f. of Attachment No. 6.)

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**b. Administrative Plan**

Policy Directive No. 5, which is Attachment No. 8, and the revised Security section thereof, which is Attachment No. 5, constitute the Administrative Plan.

*Revision of the Administrative Plan has been requested of OAPS. MLK*

**c. Reports**

The reports requirements are set forth in paragraphs 11 and 27 of Policy Directive No. 5 (Attachment No. 8).

**9. BUDGET DATA**

**a. Total over-all CIA funds required for FY 1955**

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(An additional undetermined amount will be requested to cover the costs in FY 1955 of opening offices in Cambodia, Indonesia, and South Vietnam, for which funds were not included in the FY 1955 budget.)

**b. Availability of CIA Funds Required**

The DTFILLAR Budget for FY 1955 was approved by DCI on 10 August 1954 in the amount of [ ], subject to the condition that the amount of [ ], which was in excess of the Congressional budget should be considered a Contingency Reserve and should not be expended without the prior approval of DD/P in consultation with DD/A.

The approved budget included an amount of [ ] allocated to [ ], which provided for the establishment of a cover and funding mechanism for DTFILLAR. On 24 September 1954 DD/A approved the allocation of an additional amount of [ ] to [ ] from the Contingency Reserve. The amount cited under (a) above as required for DTFILLAR for FY 1955 represents the approved budget of [ ] minus the total of [ ] allocated to [ ].

*and DD/P*  
In addition to the [ ] of the Contingency Reserve allocated to [ ], an amount of [ ] was approved by DD/S on 3 March 1955 for certain other expenditures not covered by the DTFILLAR approved budget. There remains in the Contingency Reserve an amount of [ ].

A break-down of the DTFILLAR FY 1955 budget is attached as Attachment No. 10.

**c. Non-CIA Funds**

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c. Non-CIA Funds

DTPILLAR receives occasional small contributions from private sources which may be used to offset or supplement the CIA budget allotments.

d. Foreign Currency

DTPILLAR overseas representatives purchase their own foreign currency.

e. Funding

A procedure has been established, in agreement with the Commercial Management and Budget Divisions, whereby DTPILLAR is reimbursed monthly for expenditures of the previous month. Funding is now accomplished via TPMBIC but will eventually be effected by

f. Financial History

	<u>Authorized</u>	<u>Obligations</u>
FY-1955 (to 10 March 1955)	[ ]	[ ]
FY-1954	[ ]	[ ]
FY-1953	[ ]	[ ]
FY-1952	(no record)	[ ]
FY-1951	[ ]	[ ]

g. Future Requirements

FY-1956 - - - - - [ ]

Administrative - [ ]

Programs - [ ]

10 SUPPORT DATA:

a. Total CIA Personnel

(1) Staff Agents

As of 1 March 1955, 4 staff agents were assigned to DTPILLAR:

- GS-7 } San Francisco
- GS-11 } Headquarters
- GS-9 } overseas rep.
- GS-9 }

A fifth person will be converted to staff agent status in FY-1955, and a sixth slot should be reserved for FY-1956.

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(2) Washington Headquarters Personnel

Total as of 10 March 1955 - 4  
Unfilled Slot -  $\frac{1}{5}$

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Slotted</u>
Branch chief	- GS-14	GS-15
Operations Officer	- GS-12	GS-13
Operations Officer	- GS-12	GS-12 (unfilled)
Intell. Ass't.	- GS- 6	GS- 7
Secretary	GS- 5	GS- 6

b. Material

N.A. - proprietary project.

c. Communications

A covert P.O. box is maintained both by Washington Headquarters and the U.S. office of DTPILLAR for the transmission of sterile communications. For classified communications, a separate P.O. system is maintained, and registered mail is used. DTPILLAR communications with its field representatives are for the most part conducted by open mail and commercial cable. CIA cable and despatch facilities are available to DTPILLAR for confidential correspondence with its representatives.

d. Other CIA support

None.

e. Support required from other United States agencies

None.

11. GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS:

a. Current Status

In operation since February 7, 1951.

b. Commitments

There exist normally written commitments with a variety of Asian organizations concerning DTPILLAR assistance to them which extend beyond any fiscal year. The damage to American prestige of inability to honor these commitments must be taken into consideration at the time of proposed termination of the project.

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There exist also such commitments as are implicit in the rental of office accommodations in this country and overseas and in the employment of some ILO personnel.

c. Effectiveness

The most reliable indications of effectiveness are the official sanctions, formal and informal, under which DTPILLAR operates in Asia. The British, whose approval is necessary for DTPILLAR to operate in Hong Kong and Malaya, have continued to be favorable to DTPILLAR's activities, and their liaison with CIA has stated that his Government considers that DTPILLAR in Malaya and Singapore is making a "significant contribution toward mastering the communist threat and towards creating stable and self-reliant political and social systems there." The Prime Minister of Burma has praised the achievements of the DTPILLAR representative in that "neutralist" country, and the officials of Indonesia have recently authorized DTPILLAR to explore opportunities for action there. The Prime Minister of Ceylon has publicly defended DTPILLAR against communist and Opposition attack. In Pakistan DTPILLAR has received the active cooperation of many official and semi-official bodies. In all countries in which it is operating, including those where cooperation might have been anticipated more than in the above, DTPILLAR has been sought out by a great number of private groups and, perhaps more significantly, has been able to bring into being groups which did not formerly exist. Examples of the latter are the first nationwide youth council in Ceylon, the first organization of teachers in Japan to counter the communist-controlled teachers' union and to promote democratic principles in education, and the first organization of Buddhist priests to expose the antipathy between communism and Buddhism by travelling and lecturing in the remote areas of Burma.

The poor public relations of its early days, while in great measure overcome, have made it impossible for DTPILLAR to gain entree in India, where its activity would be particularly useful to U.S. objectives.

d. Anticipated Results

The reorganization of DTPILLAR in the latter part of 1954, including the addition to the Board of Trustees of American leaders well-known in Asia, has already proved beneficial to its acceptance both in this country and in Asia. The admission to Indonesia appears to have been a direct result. It is anticipated therefore that DTPILLAR will be able to achieve greater results hereafter than those set forth under "Accomplishments". It should be recognized that the project is a long-term one, the real fruit of which will not be realized for some years. It is concerned with the development of

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democratic private action groups and private institutions which will become rooted in the communities of Asia. The quality of these groups and institutions will in turn depend upon the quality of Asian leadership brought to them, and the development of good leaders, democratically-oriented, is a time-taking process. Much of what DTPILLAR accomplishes will be done as much by the personal influence of its representatives on potential leaders with whom they deal as by the specific activities which are supported.

e. Evaluation

DTPILLAR employs from time to time American citizens going to Asia, e.g. foreign correspondents, lecturers, etc. to examine DTPILLAR activities as a means of securing independent estimates. It also maintains contact with the diplomatic and other representatives of Asian countries in the United States as a means of keeping abreast of official Asian attitudes towards its activities. Independent reports are frequently secured from officials of the Department of State and USIA and from the CIA covert representatives, as well as from key figures in other IO projects who often come in contact with DTPILLAR. Publications emanating from DTPILLAR-supported organizations have been submitted to CIA intelligence components frequently for evaluation and to FDD for review and comment.

In general, an evaluation of the project must turn on the kinds of people who cooperate with, and the kinds of people who avoid, DTPILLAR activities. Making this kind of evaluation is not an insuperable problem, but it is not amenable to formal procedures, and no special support for evaluation purposes seems required.

f. Policy Questions

There are no outstanding policy questions. Active liaison is maintained with the Department of State, through authorized channels, which includes procurement of guidance on any significant policy questions which may arise.

g. Congress

The possibility of Congressional investigation always exists.

h. Extra-Agency Action

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i. Proprietary Companies

It has been determined that a proprietary organization for this project is desirable.

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**j. Special Considerations**

Project activities have proved to have a significant intelligence by-product as indicated under "Accomplishments".

**k. Liquidation**

See paragraph 6. f. above.

Termination of the project will present no personnel problems except for the reassignment of k-6 staff agents and for the expense of returning about 30 American personnel representing DTPILLAR overseas. The disposal of material, including buildings, will be time-consuming and may involve some monetary sacrifice. As indicated above, a reserve fund of [ ] in bonds has been set aside to cover liquidation costs.

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SECURITY INFORMATION

<b>PROJECT FINANCIAL DATA</b>	PROJECT CRYPTONYM <b>DTPILLAR</b>
	FISCAL PERIOD COVERED <b>1 July 194 THRU 30 JUNE 195</b>

\*MAY NOT EXCEED SECRET CLASSIFICATION

RESPONSIBLE STAFF OR DIVISION <b>IO</b>	CASE DECIDED <b>C ]</b>
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**A. PERSONNEL REQUIREMENTS**

Indicate number and type of personnel required and estimated total compensation for salary, allowances, travel and related employee benefits. Include everyone paid from project.

TYPE	NUMBER		ESTIMATED COMPENSATION		
	U. S. PERSONNEL	FOREIGN NATIONAL	BASE SALARY	ALL OTHER	TOTAL
STAFF EMPLOYEES					
STAFF AGENTS	<b>5</b>		<b>23,540.</b>	<b>[ ]</b>	<b>[ ]</b>
CAREER AGENTS					
CONTRACT AGENTS					
CONTRACT CONSULTANTS					
DETAILED PERSONNEL					
FIELD AGENTS					
MILITARY					
ALL OTHER					
<b>TOTAL A.</b>			<b>23,540.</b>	<b>[ ]</b>	<b>[ ]</b>

**B. SUPPLIES, MATERIEL AND EQUIPMENT**

Indicate amount required in applicable spaces. Attach complete supporting list for each.

COMMO \$	CHEMICAL \$	QUARTERMASTER SUPPLIES \$	OTHER SUPPLIES \$
MEDICAL \$	ORDNANCE \$	SPECIAL DEVICES \$	OTHER EQUIPMENT \$

TOTAL B.

**C. OTHER OPERATIONAL EXPENSES**

Indicate volume and nature of expenses such as (1) maintenance of two operational houses abroad (2) spot purchase of information, etc.

TOTAL C.

**D. SUBSIDY OR PROPRIETARY PAYMENTS**

If funds are to be turned over to individuals or groups in large lump sums to be expended by the individuals or groups at their discretion to accomplish an agreed-upon objective, explain the type of financial accounts, factual verification or statements, if any, other than a receipt for the lump sum, which will be obtained.

**Annual budget review, annual audit, revolving fund to govern monthly rate of expenditures, monthly and quarterly financial statements.**

TOTAL D. **[ ] (includes Total A above)**

TOTAL FUND REQUIREMENTS (A + B + C + D) **[ ]**

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E. FUNDING REQUIREMENTS

APPROXIMATE DATES AND AMOUNTS OF MONEY REQUIRED

A procedure has been established whereby SUPPLIES is reimbursed monthly for expenditures of the previous month. Funding is presently accomplished via [ ] but will eventually be effected through [ ].

FORM REQUIRED

U. S. DOLLARS

FOREIGN (SPECIFY)

NEGOTIABLE INSTRUMENTS (SPECIFY)

SPECIAL SECURITY REQUIREMENTS OR METHODS OF TRANSMISSION

F. SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS

(Within security limitations, list any other facts or circumstances which will enable Special Support Staff to lend adequate logistical support to this project. Indicate specificationally the "RUSH" or "TIME" factors involved.)

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**DETAILS SUMMARY**  
**Fiscal Year 1955**

**ADMINISTRATIVE**

**San Francisco**

Salaries	\$ 480,150		
Other Operating Expenses	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
Capital Outlay	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]

**New York**

Salaries	\$ 20,700		
Other Operating Expenses	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
Capital Outlay	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]

**Asia**

Salaries and Allowances	\$ 431,000		
Other Operating Expenses	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]
Capital Outlay	[ ]	[ ]	[ ]

Sub-total

**PROGRAMS**

Country Programs

Intra-Asian and Special Projects

Sub-total

**INVESTMENTS-RESEARCH AND PUBLICATIONS**

for overseas personnel pursuant to  
 Administrative Memorandum No. 16

**CONTINGENCY**

**GRAND TOTAL**

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FE ANSWER TO PROJECT DTPILLAR

CRYPTONEME: DTPILLAR

1. Purpose

To exploit the intelligence capability of project DTPILLAR, subject to the overriding limitations imposed by DTPILLAR's character as a private organization and its actual reason-for-being, i.e. "the creation of private action groups and private institutions in Asia which will counteract the appeals of communism by providing expanding opportunities to Asians to achieve their legitimate goals by their own efforts and by democratic means." While DTPILLAR has an intelligence-gathering capability, that capability must always be considered a by-product of its other, more essential, activities.

2. Background

See the Project Outline for DTPILLAR, particularly paragraph 3, "Situation", and its sub-section on "Intelligence By-Product".

3. Reference

NSC 5412 and NSC 162/2

4. Objectives

- a. To obtain political and economic information on the countries in which DTPILLAR is represented (see below).
- b. To obtain information on communist activities within these countries, particularly on communist front groups which are working in the same general fields as DTPILLAR and other IO projects. To alert Headquarters on future communist front group meetings and plans in order to permit counter-action.
- c. To obtain information on persons and groups useful to other Agency activities, particularly those of the IO Division.
- d. In the course of the conduct of normal DTPILLAR activities, to endeavor to cultivate key political and other leaders for intelligence purposes.

5. Targets

- a. Political figures with whom DTPILLAR representatives may come in contact in the course of their normal activities.
- b. Leaders of private organizations who may have political information and present or potential political influence. Specifically, leaders of youth and student activities, women's organizations, labor, education and teachers, journalists, radio broadcasters, movie producers, intellectuals, etc.

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c. Communist front groups and their leaders.

DTPILLAR's activities cover such a broad area of effort that the targets are relatively unlimited.

6. Tasks

In pursuance of the above objectives, the primary tasks for Headquarters are:

a. To enlighten DTPILLAR representatives, who are fully cleared and witting of CIA interest in DTPILLAR, concerning specific intelligence needs and their own ability to make unusual contributions thereto.

b. To encourage the representatives to give more careful attention to intelligence possibilities in the governmental and other contacts which they normally make, subject again to overriding considerations of maintaining DTPILLAR's reputation as a private organization

7. Implementation

a. Qualifications

(1) DTPILLAR is represented in the following countries: Japan, Korea, Taiwan, Hong Kong, Philippine Islands, Burma, Thailand, Malaya, Indonesia, Cambodia, Ceylon, Pakistan (Karachi, Dacca, and Lahore), and Afghanistan. It expects to be represented in South Vietnam shortly.

(2) DTPILLAR representatives are generally of very high calibre, usually persons with training in political affairs or journalism and in many cases with CIA, USIA, or other similar governmental training. They are usually good observers of Asian political affairs.

(3) The DTPILLAR headquarters itself requires "Situation Reports" from its overseas representatives which means that the representatives, irrespective of CIA intelligence needs, are expected to be well-informed on political and economic matters and on communist efforts in their own countries

b. Contact and Communications

A regular liaison arrangement with the Senior CIA Representative in the field and the local DTPILLAR representative is in existence. The DTPILLAR representative in each area has been authorized by the President of

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DTPILLAR to pass intelligence to the CIA Representative locally and, when it seems in keeping with his position to do so, to secure such information as the CIA Representative may request. The only refinement of this existing arrangement which may be considered necessary is that the CIA Representative in each area, with Headquarters approval, define more clearly for the DTPILLAR Representative the exact intelligence needs which he is in a position to supply.

<sup>of</sup> DTPILLAR reports, received either via the CIA field representatives/through the overt mails when they are of general nature or are not confidential, are being disseminated at present via IO/PI through the CS and CO systems. A total of 21 such disseminations were made between 1 December 1954 and 1 March 1955.

8. Coordination

a. The project originated at Headquarters. The CIA field stations have not been informed of this specific Annex, although, as indicated above, they are aware that DTPILLAR is authorized to provide intelligence to them when it does not impair its primary purpose and activity.

b. All stations in DTPILLAR areas of representation have been apprised of this authorization.

9. Requirements

a. Personnel

See paragraph 7 a. above.

b. Equipment

N.A.

c. Other support

N.A.

d. Financial

See project outline, DTPILLAR.

10. Special Problems and Commitments

None

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OFFICIAL  
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LOGISTICS

1. OFFICIAL rents and owns certain properties including automobiles, houses, offices, furniture, equipment, etc. in its U.S. headquarters and in the 13 countries and colonies of Asia in which it is represented.

2. No requirements are, however, levied on the Logistics Division to secure any property for this project. This is all done through private purchase.

3. A complete list of OFFICIAL properties may be secured whenever it should be required.

Chief of Administration, IC

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