

PROJECT STATUS REPORT				REPORTING PERIOD			
1. CRYPTONYM		2. DIVISION OR BRANCH		3. COUNTRY		4. DATE ORIGINALLY APPROVED	
a. Program	b. Project			Target	Base	a. Program	b. Project
GERBOWER	GEOROND	EE/A		Austria	Austria		7 Aug 53
5. NAME OF CASE OFFICER		ROOM NO.		EXTENSION	SIGNATURE OF CASE OFFICER		
		2703 J		3488			
6. TYPE OF PROJECT <input type="checkbox"/> RI <input type="checkbox"/> PP <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PM <input type="checkbox"/> SUPPORT							
7. STATUS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> OPERATIONAL <input type="checkbox"/> LIQUIDATING							
8. PERSONNEL ASSIGNED		O/S	U.S.	9. FY ALLOTMENT TO DATE		10. FY OBLIGATIONS TO DATE	
U.S. -----		5	1				
FOREIGN NAT'L -----		54	1				
TOTAL		59	1	\$ 30,000		\$ 31,161.82	
11. Summary							
<p>(A) Mission: To develop and strengthen the Austrian paramilitary program along the following lines: to develop the existing and potential paramilitary assets of 1) a labor union having assets situated throughout Central and Eastern Austria, 2) detached indigenous groups in the Salzburg-Tirol areas, and 3) individual assets (indigenous) located throughout Austria; to select and cache-equip suitable operational bases from which these groups may operate during hostilities; to establish an Evasion and Escape line from Eastern to Western Austria with feeder lines from the Czech and Hungarian borders and connecting links to the Swiss, Italian and German borders.</p> <p>(B) Plan: To spot and recruit sufficient personnel to build the nucleus and skeletal groups needed to achieve peacetime development of the objectives outlined in (A) Mission; to spot and earmark for emergency recruitment those remaining personnel needed to activate the paramilitary program at full strength in the event of hostilities.</p> <p>(C) Summary:</p> <p>(1) Guerrilla Warfare: No change.</p> <p>(2) Evasion and Escape: A second, compartmented Organizer is being cleared and will be recruited to carry out peacetime development along the northern route of the central section of the E & E line. The present Organizer is continuing with his duties of developing the southern route; both Organizers will spot a number of individuals in their assigned territories who will form a pool from which assets will be drawn during hot-war to activate the complete section.</p> <p>(3) Resistance: No change.</p> <p>(4) General Activities: Plans are being made to recover paramilitary equipment presently in 24 caches throughout Austria and replace it with new equipment more suitably prepared for caching by an improved dipping process. The new equipment will be cached by a cleared team of U.S. Army personnel under supervision of CIA staff employees in the old cache sites but in different pits; the recovered equipment will be re-conditioned and returned to stock.</p> <p>(D) Effectiveness: No change.</p> <p>(E) Methods and Standards: No change.</p> <p>(F) PE Assets: Not applicable.</p>							

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