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**SECRET** *HARVARD Project*

### ROUTING AND RECORD SHEET

SUBJECT: (Optional)

*Project Outline - Harvard*

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*13 June 57*

TO: (Officer designation, room number, and building)

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Chief, FI/OPS

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

16 AUG 1957

THROUGH : Chief of Operations, DD/P

SUBJECT : Project HARVARD (Renewal)

1. The attached project, originating in EE Division, is presented for your approval of renewal for the period 1 July 1957 through 30 June 1958. This project is designed to provide for the rehabilitation and resettlement of defectors, agents, and agent-trainees when their usefulness to CIA has been completely exploited.

2. Authority is requested to obligate [ ] from the DD/P-EE Division budget for fiscal year 1958, subject to the availability of funds.

3. Attached is a memorandum prepared in EE Division which summarizes the important factors involved and requests renewal.

4. The appropriate staff components concur in the renewal.

5. I recommend renewal of Project HARVARD as presented.

[ ]  
Chief  
Foreign Intelligence

Concur: [ ]  
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AUG 16 1957

Date

Approved: [ ]  
DDCI

10 Aug 57

Date

Attachment: HARVARD Project Outline

Responsible Case Officers:

Hdqts [ ]  
Ext. 4561  
Field [ ]  
GS-13

Staff Coordination:

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MEMORANDUM FOR: CHIEF, Foreign Intelligence  
ATTENTION : Chief, FI Operations Division  
SUBJECT : Renewal of Project HARVARD  
REFERENCE : Memorandum from Chief, FI Operations Division to Chief,  
EE/FI, dated 10 May 1957, Subject as Above

1. The referenced memorandum stated that the approval of Project HARVARD will expire 30 June 1957.
2. Renewal of Project HARVARD is hereby requested for the period 1 July 1957 through 30 June 1958.
3. Attached is an outline of Project HARVARD reflecting its current objectives, capabilities and accomplishments during Fiscal Year 1957 as well as its overall accomplishments since inception.

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*[Signature]*  
Chief, Eastern European Division

Attachment  
Project Outline - HARVARD (trip)

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PROJECT RENEWAL

CRYPTONYM: HARVARD

HEADQUARTERS CASE OFFICER: [ ]

DIVISION : EE

EXTENSION : 4561

STATION : Frankfurt

ROOM : 1708 J

DATE : 13 June 1957

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PROJECT OUTLINE

HARVARD

- A. Target Area - Germany.
- B. Operational Objectives

Project HARVARD was designed initially to provide safehouse and operational aid facilities for all CIA activities in Germany. The scope of the HARVARD mission was enlarged in 1952 to include the rehabilitation and resettlement of defectors, agents, and agent-trainees as their usefulness to CIA is exhausted. In this latter capacity, HARVARD strives, insofar as possible, to resettle some of these individuals with an eye to their future usefulness for defector inducement and psychological warfare purposes. In effect, HARVARD handles the resettlement aspects of the Defector Program to which, under NSCID No. 13, CIA is committed.

HARVARD is also available to render assistance to other CIA area divisions and United States intelligence agencies in the European Theater who need help in their resettlement problems. In this manner existing resettlement assets are pooled and parallel or duplicate activities are held to a minimum.

- C. Accomplishments and Method of Operation

During Fiscal Year 1953 HARVARD successfully resettled approximately 95 cases of which 55 were resettled between 1 January and 1 July 1953. During Fiscal Year 1954 HARVARD resettled a total of 182 cases, 61 cases were resettled in Fiscal Year 1955 and 114 cases were resettled in the Fiscal Year 1956. During the first ten months of Fiscal Year 1957, 174 cases have been resettled.

The success of the HARVARD operation depends largely upon close cooperation with United States and foreign consular and immigration authorities, the State Department's Escapee Program, and several private welfare agencies. Whenever practicable, dispoeses are resettled on the local German economy.

Upon assuming custody of an individual, HARVARD provides for immediate housing and subsistence on the local economy, arranges for documentation and legal status in Germany, takes care of personal needs, welfare and morale problems, arranges for physical examinations and medical and dental care when indicated, arranges for language instruction and apprenticeship training, handles official formalities involving births, marriages, name changes, European travel, etc., and arranges for transportation to resettlement destinations. When it is deemed inadvisable or impossible to resettle an individual

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in Germany, immigration to another country is arranged. HARVARD initiates all action necessary to accomplish this end, such as obtaining the appropriate visa application forms, assisting in their completion and expediting favorable action thereon in whatever manner applicable. In the case of United States immigration, procedures have ranged from normal immigration to the use of Public Law 110, Section 8, and the Refugee Relief Act, Public Law 203.

Of the 174 cases resettled during the first ten months of FY 1957 the disposition was as follows:

	<u>Cases</u>
Immigration to the United States	72
Transfer to Labor Service Organizations	1
Immigration to Western Europe	1
Immigration to South America	3
Employment in Germany	41
U.S. Army Alien Enlistment Program	22
Transfer to U.S. Escapee Program	26
Disappeared	2
Used Operationally	<u>6</u>
	174

D. Capabilities

HARVARD's physical facilities include fourteen safehouses in Frankfurt which are supplemented when necessary by the use of Defector Reception Center facilities and local pensions. The HARVARD Staff consists of six people, including a Chief (GS-13), two Senior Resettlement Officers (GS-12), two Resettlement Officers (GS-11) and one Administrative Assistant (GS-7). With its present staff and physical facilities, HARVARD is capable of handling a maximum of 60 disposal cases simultaneously.

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E. Costs

It is estimated that the cost of Project HARVARD during FY 1958 will be [redacted] The estimated total cost of Project HARVARD during the forthcoming fiscal year is broken down as follows:

Rents and Utilities	\$47,600
Indigenous Personnel - Salaries	9,600
Travel	20,000
Resettlement Payments	[redacted]
Operational Entertainment	1,000
Transportation of Things	4,000
Other Contractual Services	5,000
Communication Costs	800
Supplies and Materials	9,550

A further breakdown is as follows:

Rents and Utilities \$47,600

This item includes the rental cost of one large (14 room) house and seven other units including necessary key money costs (year's rent in advance on two units; balance of yearly rent prorated over two year period). In addition, HARVARD plans to acquire six additional units at approximately DM 8,000 key money plus fees and up to DM 300 per month for rent and utilities.

Indigenous Personnel Salaries \$ 9,600

Indigenous safehouse keepers for a total of fourteen safehouse units at an average cost of \$50 per month each including all German social security and hospitalization payments.

Travel \$20,000

Projecting the results of the first ten months of FY 1957 HARVARD should resettle approximately 200 cases in FY 1957. It should be noted that the great influx of Hungarian defectors in late 1956 and early 1957 materially increased the HARVARD resettlement case load. Since the peak of the Hungarian influx has now been passed it is estimated that approximately 150 cases will be resettled during FY 1958. Based on an average expenditure of \$100 per case for travel and relocation, it is estimated that the above figure will be required.

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Resettlement Payments [ ]

The amount shown in the travel category does not include final resettlement payments and other welfare payments during the course of his handling. Based upon the experience factor it is estimated that \$340 will be expended per case for such expenses.

Operational Entertainment \$ 1,000

This amount is estimated to cover the costs incurred in meetings with resettlement cases and in the infrequent entertainment of members of foreign consulates, church welfare organizations, etc.

Transportation of Things \$ 4,000

This item covers costs incurred in the shipment of effects for resettlement cases during the time of their relocation for final resettlement.

Other Contractual Services \$ 5,000

The above amount is estimated to cover the cost of medical care facilities and supplies not provided free of charge from the military post, prolonged hospital or institutional care, etc.

Communications Costs \$ 800

This amount is estimated to cover the cost of contacting resettlement cases when necessary by local telephone or telegraph facilities. In addition this covers the expense of telephones in the safehouses.

Supplies and Materials \$ 9,550

This item includes the costs of cleaning material, repairing and/or renovating furniture in safehouses. In addition, items such as clothing, books and other publications are included in this category.

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Chief FI/OPS Division [ ]

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