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23 September 1949

TO: CPP
FROM: PB-II []
SUBJECT: BGFIEND

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REFERENCE: ADPC's memorandum to CPP of 6 September 1949

1. The PW annex to the BGFIEND project, which has been submitted to you for approval, urges the institution of a series of VOA and/or BBC broadcasts dealing with the work and growth of the Free Albania Committee and other pertinent developments.

2. To implement this plan, arrangements are being made by PB-II through FB-I to periodically obtain statements from the Committee which will be made available to VOA. (Such statements might well include references to the Greek Prime Minister's declared position toward the Albanian Committee.)

3. Mr. Robert P. Joyce has been asked to inform us whether:

a. the Greek Prime Minister's statement was broadcast by VOA and/or BBC, and if so to what extent;

b. any procedure for the dissemination of similar information has been prepared by VOA;

c. plans for a regular Albanian language program are being formulated.

4. Subject to the approval of the over-all PW plan, and the Department of State's reply to our inquiry, the following course of action in regard to VOA's participation will be instituted:

a. The Committee will be induced to issue periodical statements to the press which should be broadcast by VOA. (These statements will be reviewed by PB-II prior to release for conformity with the timing and the propaganda themes outlined in the PW annex to BGFIEND.)

b. The desirability of having members of the Committee interviewed by the press will be explored. If found desirable, the results of such interviews will be disseminated by VOA.

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c. Procedures for expeditious transmittal of pertinent CIA material for VOA's use will be formulated.

d. The feasibility of VOA initiating regular Albanian language programs at this time will be explored.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: ADPC

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Acting Chief, Programs and Planning

Attachment: 1

1 - ADPC's memo of 8 September 1949

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