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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Psychological & Paramilitary Staff

SUBJECT: Guidebook to the Soviet Union

1. A manuscript for a guidebook to the Soviet Union, intended for distribution to U.S. travelers to that area, was prepared by the American Committee for Liberation at the request of your staff and in coordination with SI Division and was delivered to [] on 1 July 1957. Since it did not appear appropriate for AmComlib to issue it under its own imprint, it was our understanding that your staff would be responsible for determining the attribution of the guidebook and for having it printed, while the Department of State would distribute it.

2. The manuscript was prepared on a basis of urgency, but we were advised after its delivery to [] that since it was then too late to take advantage of the summer tourist flow it would be published at a later date.

3. The President of the American Committee for Liberation has now asked us for specific information as to when the guidebook will be ready for distribution and by whom. Apart from its interest as the originator of the manuscript, AmComlib is looking forward to making use of a number of copies in the course of its own work. It will be appreciated if you will advise us of the status of this matter to enable us to reply definitely to AmComlib.

OSCAR MURPHY, JR.
Chief

International Organizations Division

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