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Summary of ZYMANTAS' Report

1. It was not politic to raise the Baltic question until after the national elections.
2. The U.S. must accept the Soviet challenge since all free countries look to the U.S.
3. The Soviet tactic is to gain victories by subversion and they have been successful in this hemisphere although not in Europe. The U.S. allows the Soviets to choose the time and place of next attack. The U.S. must take the offensive and force the Soviets to defend themselves against us.
4. Having taken the offensive the U.S. must carry the propaganda war to the other side of the Iron Curtain.
5. In order to avoid a greater catastrophe in the future the U.S. must give up its passive attitude immediately.
6. If Moscow supports the resistance in Algeria, Cuba, Laos, the U.S. can as well support the Balts in their fight for freedom.
7. In the struggle for freedom and independence the Balts expend much effort yet VOA broadcasts only 30 minutes a day and Radio Rome only 20 minutes.
8. Moscow's success in the Baltic states increases with time and the resistance in the countries diminishes. It should be exactly the opposite.
9. The Baltic states are a gate for the West in which to enter and carry on the battle for freedom for them and the satellites.
10. To pursue the struggle for Lithuania's independence would require collaboration with and the support of the Baltic diplomatic corps.
11. It is very important to initiate broadcasts in the three Baltic languages over RFE.
12. It is necessary to establish a Lithuanian central study bureau in order to

reply to Soviet propaganda in a systematic manner. We must use the cultural weapon of the Lithuanians in the freeworld more forcefully.

13. The U.S. extends help to people in Communist countries - why not subsidize BAIFF to a certain extent so that packages and medicines could be sent to hardship cases in Lithuania.

14. Systematic mailings of Western press, books and other data into Lithuania should be undertaken. This type of activity is already being carried out in a certain confidential way and so ^{he will} ~~say~~ say no more on this topic.

15. Zymantas lists by name former employees of VOA and suggests these as a nucleus for initiating RFE broadcasts.