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21 March 1946

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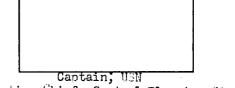
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- 2. The Planning Staff has prepared a draft of proposed action by C.I.G. It consists of a memorandum from the Director of Central Intelligence to the members of the Advisory Board, forwarding a draft directive making provisions for the necessary survey.
 - 3. Action recommended:

That the memorandum be approved and dispatched to the Advisory Board.

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- 2. The Central Intelligence Group should conduct a survey of the matter and prepare a report, with recommendations, for the approval of the National Intelligence Authority.
- 3. Paragraph 3 of N.J.A. Directive No. 1 provides a procedure by which the necessary directive can be published and carried out by unanimous approval of the Director of Central Intelligence and the Intelligence Advisory Board, without action by the National Intelligence Authority.
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 4. Inclosed is a draft directive, making necessary provisions for the survey. If all members of the Advisory Board concur in the draft without substantial change, a meeting will not be necessary. It is recommended that in Euclosus 'A" the directive be approved, and that each member of the Advisory Board arrange for necessary implementation by his department.

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SURVEY OF COVERAGE OF THE

FOREIGN LANGUAGE PRESS

Memorandum by the Director of Central Intelligence, with the Unanimous Concurrence of the Intelligence Advisory Board

- 1. By memorandum of 20 February 1946, Mr. McCormack (Special Assistant to the Secretary of State in charge of Research and Intelligence), suggested that the Director of Central Intelligence take under advisement the matter of determining what coverage of the Moreign Language Press in the United States is desirable for intelligence purposes and how the coverage should be obtained. This matter falls logically under the provisions of Paragraph 4b, N.T.A. Directive No. 2. The following paragraphs outline the provisions which will govern this survey.
- 2. The survey will include an examination of all facilities for covering the Foreign Language Press in the United States and in the other countries of the Western Hemisphere, in order to determine:
 - a. The extent of co are by existing facilities;
 - b. The adequacy of the existing coverage;
 - c. The extent of duplication of effort in the current coverage;
 - d. The availability of trained, competent personnel;
 - e. The suitability of the present material produced by existing facilities;
 - f. The suitability of present dissemination of material processed by existing facilities.
- 3. The survey will include, finally, an examination of the question as to whether the desired end will be served better if the effort be distributed, or if it be centralized; and if centralized, what agency of the Government should be charged with it.
- 4. The Central Planning Staff, C.I.G. will conduct the survey. It will be authorized to call for personnel indicated in paragraph 5, below, to appear and give such oral or written reports as may be required for purposes of this survey.

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- 5. Each member of the Advisory Board will designate a representative to arrange details with the Information Branch, Central Planning Staff, and furnish the C.I.G. a list of personnel authorized to give information for purposes of the survey. The designation of appropriate contact personnel in other federal agencies will be arranged for as necessary.
- 6. The Central Planning Staff will submit its findings, conclusions and recommendations to the Director of Central Intelligence. He will then submit appropriate recommendations to the National Intelligence Authority, after concurrence or comment by the Intelligence Advisory Board.

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