

9 January 2015

MEMORANDUM FOR:

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SUBJECT:

CIA Declassification Center ~~Weekly~~ Report 1 - 7 January 2015 (Pls View Full Screen)

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(U) Next Automatic Declassification Date is 31 December

2015!

(U) Of Management Interest

(U//~~FOUO~~) Personnel

(U//~~FOUO~~) [Redacted] a DCIA/DS certifier since July 2013, finished her CDC tour on 9 January. [Redacted] starts next week at the NRO as a Privacy Act and FOIA information review and release analyst. We thank [Redacted] for her excellent support as a certifier and for her for pioneering efforts to identify TEMPORARY subcollections embedded in the PERMANENT 25-year flow and ensuring they were brought to the attention of the appropriate IMO for rescheduling as appropriate. CDC benefitted from [Redacted] prior experience with records schedules and her demonstrating the initiative to improve records quality and reduce unnecessary workload. We will miss [Redacted] and wish her well in her new assignment. [Redacted]

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~~(U//FOUO)~~ *From the National Archives*

~~(U//FOUO)~~ **The OSS and Strategic German War Aims**

~~(U//FOUO)~~ CIA reviewers at NARA have been working a collection of US Navy records from the period 1942-1945 (Records of the Office of the Chief of Naval Operations, RG 38) that contain fairly frequent reports regarding contacts between naval attaches and OSS offices overseas, as well as OSS intelligence reports. One such report, serial 9558, not dated but circa late July 1942, relates an exchange between Berlin and Tokyo that show Germany's vastly overblown war aims at the height of its successful summer offensive on the Eastern front:

The following report, [redacted] dated July 21, 1942, has been received by this Agency, It is from a reliable and very delicate source.

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On July 6th the German Foreign Office represented strongly to the Japanese Ambassador, Oshima, that if Japan cannot declare war on the U.S.S.R. she should at least adopt more aggressive attitude toward her because Germany is at present making a maximum effort to:

- 1. Occupy Caucasus and advance thence through Iran to Iranian Gulf;*
- 2. Occupy and reach Red Sea by Autumn 1942.*

A more aggressive attitude of Japan towards the U.S.S.R. would assist Germany in the realization of these plans.

Up to July 6th, Japan had not agreed to this, and Japan still considers it very difficult to coordinate her military interests with those of other Axis powers. The Military Attaché said, 'It is not in Japan's interest for Germany to be able to terminate war quickly.'

~~(U//FOUO)~~ **Comment** : The exchange occurred only a few months before the German defeats at Stalingrad and El Alamein and the Anglo-American landings in Northwest Africa. It may be humorous to some to learn that the Japanese were actually worried that Germany might win the war too quickly. The CIA Declassification Team declassified the intelligence report in full. [redacted]

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~~(U//ATUO)~~ **The 31 Dec 2014 Deadline**

~~(U//ATUO)~~ **CIA meets 31 December 2014 EO deadline. No records at risk for automatic declassification.**

~~(U//ATUO)~~ The thermometer charts below provide a measure of completeness against the CIA records that must be reviewed by 31 December 2014 (records that have reached either their 25-year deadline or their 50-year deadline). Against the 25-year deadline, for example, these records include hardcopy CIA records dated 1989, special media dated thru 1984 and CIA Presidential Library (PL) material and external referrals (to CIA) due in 2014. (Referrals for CIA at the National Declassification Center--NDC--are excluded due to the NDC procedures. NDC now controls the review deadlines at NARA per the EO but has just begun to establish deadlines for this NARA material. NDC also controls the deadlines for PL material and has explicitly established deadlines for a subset of the material dubbed Priority.) The charts below

include PL Priority deadline material or a nominal 3-year deadline for other PL material. Though, notionally, missing the deadline may result in automatic declassification for AARC material or external referrals to CIA outside of the NDC, that is not the case for PL Priority or the non-priority PL based on current NDC procedures. The first chart reflects data current through 31 December 2014 and reflects prior FY efforts against 31 December 2014 material. The second chart also reflects data current through 31 December 2014 but reflects the status of chart #1 December 2014 material beginning in FY 2014 (i.e., current year).

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(U//~~ATUO~~) The first three thermometers measure progress against certification for material being processed manually (for accession to NARA or exemption) and via automated system (for delivery on CREST at NARA or via the RAC Program to the Presidential Libraries). The fourth thermometer measures overall progress (manual + automated). As in other "Thermo" charts, the targets are above the thermometer; the current pages processed to date is provided below the thermometer; the height of the thermometer represents pages processed to date graphically; and at the right are tick marks that divide the target into equal weekly sub-targets. The horizontal line ("slider") indicates the number of pages that should be completed by the current week of the FY assuming a linear production rate. Above the slider is good; below indicates more work to be done.

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(U//~~ATUO~~) You may notice that the target numbers at the top of the thermometers may change from week to week. This is due in general to the targets being estimates that are refined during the year as detailed review progresses. For example, page count estimates can change since microfilm estimates are often difficult to make prior to detailed review. This can add or subtract from the original target estimates. In another situation, certain records that are initially assigned to the automated category undergo a pre-review ("triage") and may be moved from the automated to the manual category.

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(U//~~ATUO~~) FY 2015 Production Status

(U//~~ATUO~~) The status of production against the FY 2015 goals as of 3 Jan 2015 is presented in the "Thermometer Chart" below.



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(U//~~ATUO~~) Note that this chart presents "Pages Reviewed this Fiscal Year" and displays some key product lines. Thus counts in this chart reflect material that has completed the review process this FY (i.e., "certified" or equivalent). It does not reflect pages that have completed the full production process (i.e., been "delivered") but reflects progress against the Executive Order requirements. The chart below is organized by key 2015 goals, i.e., overall total review/release; automated review (our highest value on-line redacted product); and Presidential Libraries; and Manual Review whether involving AARC documents or NDC documents. (Note that Overall Total subsumes Automated and Manual, and Automated subsumes the Presidential Library product. Because the Overall Total includes SPREE which is not displayed, the Overall Total is not the simple sum of the three sub-categories to its right on the chart.)

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(U//~~ATUO~~) PDB Progress

(U//~~ATUO~~) CDC completed the review of PDB's Tranche II records by 31 December 2014 the internally sent date. This CY 2014 tranche runs from 21 Jan 1969 through the end of 1974, covering all of the Nixon administration and the first few months of Ford. These records will now be sent to NGA and NSA for their referral review.

Note: NSA completed its referral review of Tranche 1 of the PDBs in mid-November. NGA has also completed the referral review of the same tranche. It is hoped that these two reviews will result in additional release (we redacted for the agencies under referral procedures in place at the time of the review.) We are now integrating the results of the NSA and NGA reviews into a final product.

(U//~~ATUO~~) The PICL/PDB collection has been divided into two tranches for completion in CY 2013 and CY 2014, respectively. The CY 2013 tranche (Kennedy and Johnson Administration) runs up to 20 Jan 1969 and was successfully completed prior to 31 December 2013. The CY 2014 tranche runs from 21 Jan 1969 through the end of 1974, covering all of the Nixon administration and the first few months of Ford



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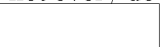
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(U//~~ATUO~~) In addition, CDC is focusing its page counting on the review of the "clean" versions of each day's document. In general, a second duplicate copy marked up with sourcing information has also been scanned and loaded to CADRE to serve as a reference record for the reviewers. The duplicate source copies are being Denied in Full (on the basis of 1st instance of exemptible information) and will not go out on CREST. Therefore, the page targets have been adjusted to only account for the clean versions of the PICL/PDBs.



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(U//~~ATUO~~) The total review target for CY 2014 is [redacted] pages. That is the number of pages in the "clean" versions of the PICL/PDBs from 21 Jan 1969 through yearend 1974. Our charts reflect this as a goal for each stage of production. ***Included are data as of 3 Jan 2015***. Also note that while CDC normally counts pages as "done" when CIA staffers certify the review, we have added post-certification production steps for external referral coordination and product generation QC as well. Nothing can be finalized and delivered until these steps are also done, though not every document will require external referral coordination (there is no "target" for this step; it is content driven).



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(U) Of General Interest

~~(U//~~FOUO~~)~~ DRRB Weekly Activities

~~(U//~~FOUO~~)~~ Each Directorate (DI, DIR, DS, DST, NCS) and Presidential Libraries (RAC) Team performs their weekly tasks of reviewing and certifying documents, generally designated for review in 2014 and beyond. Following certification, documents undergo quality control, also

known as "Product Generation" or PRODGEN. Beyond the busy normal routine, activities of note this week included:

(U//~~ATUO~~) DI Team

(U//~~ATUO~~) DI material reviewed for release over the holiday period included Current Intelligence Digest publications, issues of the DI International Economic & Energy Weekly, and NIDs from the 1980s. Additionally, team certifiers worked on the manual SPREE of DI boxes for 2015 review. The Team finalized its review of the second tranche of PICL/PDB documents associated with the Nixon and Ford Administrations and is incorporating the roll-back NSA provided on its redacted material from the 1st PDB tranche at the request of the CIA's leadership team. [redacted]

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(U//~~ATUO~~) DIR & DS Team

(U//~~ATUO~~) The team reviewed and certified Special National Intelligence Estimates (SNIEs) to include The Berlin Crisis, and Instability and the Insurgency Threat in the Dominican Republic, etc. [redacted] conducted triage on [redacted] boxes of Agency material from the Archives. In addition, [redacted] concludes her tour with IMS and begins working Privacy Act requests at the NRO. We thank [redacted] for her positive impact on CDC's mission and wish her all the best. [redacted]

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(U//~~ATUO~~) NCS Team

(U//~~ATUO~~) The NCS team is resting on its 2014 laurels: both the certifier and the senior reviewer are out of the office as of this first full week in January. The long-sought permission to work CIA-predecessor documents from 1946-47 has at last been granted, but the documents are not yet in hand. [redacted]

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(U//~~ATUO~~) Presidential Libraries (RAC) Team

(U//~~ATUO~~) Final steps to installation and training on the new "STAIRS In A Box" terminals at NARA is gearing up. The delivery date is tentatively set for 22 January, a day after the ERWG meeting at which the program will be presented and explained by RAC Team Chief [redacted]. Elsewhere, the raging RAC PRODGEN flow has been reduced to a trickle by three SRC senior reviewers and two RAC certifiers. Later this year, the Team expects the hoped-for [redacted] scanned pages from [redacted] current trip to NLR will swell the CADRE review and certification queues. [redacted]

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(U//~~ATUO~~) External Referral and Liaison Team

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(U//~~ATUO~~) Quality Control and Scanning

(U//~~AIUO~~) During the week ending 3 January 2015, ER&L; completed QC of [redacted]

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(U//~~AIUO~~) Satellite Review

(U//AIUO) Military History Institute (MHI): ER&L has completed Level 1 review on [redacted] ER&L has completed Level 2 review on [redacted]. Certification has been completed on [redacted] Sixteen boxes have been returned to Carlisle. [redacted]

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(U//~~AIUO~~) Missile Defense Agency (MDA): ER&L is making preparations to return [redacted] following ER&L review and certification [redacted]

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(U//~~AIUO~~) Note: The State of the Art Inter-Agency Referral System (STAIRS) is a stand-alone system that supports the review of presidential library documents by other government agency personnel. [redacted]

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(U//~~AIUO~~) QA/QC nothing to report. [redacted]

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(U//~~AIUO~~) PRODQC nothing to report. [redacted]

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(U//~~AIUO~~) STAIRS Support team processed a combined total of [redacted] of New Work and Returned Referrals for a variety of agencies. [redacted]

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(U//~~AIUO~~) Other Government Agencies' On-Site STAIRS Review

(U//~~AIUO~~) During the past week the following agencies conducted on-site reviews of library documents in STAIRS: CIA, DOS, DHS, OSD and FRUS. [redacted]

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(U//~~AIUO~~) MDR Activity

(U//~~AIUO~~) Nothing to report. [redacted]

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(U//~~AIUO~~) National Declassification Center (NDC) Operations

(U//~~AIUO~~) Team members working on NDC Kyl Evaluation Team completed review on [redacted] for missed CIA equity to documents containing [redacted]

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(U//~~AIUO~~) Team members on REAP completed review on [redacted] boxes adding [redacted] tab for missed CIA equity to a document containing 1 page. [redacted]

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(U//~~ATUO~~) No Evaluation Team (ET) sessions were held because of a lack of records to review. ET's have been suspended for the foreseeable future and will resume when sufficient records become available for review. [redacted]

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(U//~~ATUO~~) On 5 January, [redacted] joined the CIA Declassification Team part-time under the IMS cross-training initiative. A 29-year veteran of the CIA, she spent nine years on the Foreign Disclosure Team and is now with the ODNI conducting release of information to state and local governments, [redacted] will join us one day per week to participate in REAP. [redacted]

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(U//~~ATUO~~) CDC Help Desk Activity 29 Dec 2014 – 2 Jan 2015

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- There was a brief Sametime outage on Friday pm, for scheduled maintenance. Anyone logged into Sametime after 2100 may have noticed Sametime log the user out and then approximately 30 seconds later automatically log them back in. The next scheduled outage will be 10 January 2015.

- For the few stragglers who have not set up their "self-reset password" procedure, here is the link to access it: [redacted] Please complete this procedure.

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- One user reported hardware problems with her mouse and keyboard. Investigation discovered the connections to the workstation for both were slightly askew. Replug and restart solved the problem.

- No TeamMetrix users required assistance with the TeamMetrix print procedure.

- CDC Help Desk submitted two AADS requests for annual CWE account renewals. No other types of AADS requests were required.
- CDC Help Desk assisted one user with their bi-annual iCE/Notes/CADRE/ST password renewals. As is always mentioned, the procedure for changing passwords is slightly different. Please contact CDC HD for assistance with password changes.
- Of the few CDC users present this week, most were scrambling to finish their mandatory AISC and other mandatory trainings. Surprisingly, the training databases remained stable, and no one reported any problems accessing or completing their training. Stay tuned and I will notify you here when the new 2015 training becomes available!



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~~(//AFO)~~ *CADRE System Status Summary*

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As of January 3rd:

Open 25-year SRS/ESMT tickets =

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~~(U//ATUO)~~ Agency Scanning Center (ASC) Support to CDC

~~(U//ATUO)~~ 25-Year Production Statistics



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~~(U//ATUO)~~ Special Projects/ASC Tech Team Report

Nothing To Report

~~(U//~~ATUO~~)~~ Upcoming Week

~~(U//~~ATUO~~)~~ Work has begun on CY 2015 EO deadline production and we of course continue FY2015 production.

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~~(U//~~ATUO~~)~~ The IRRG on-site off-site is scheduled for 14/15 Jan and we will attend.

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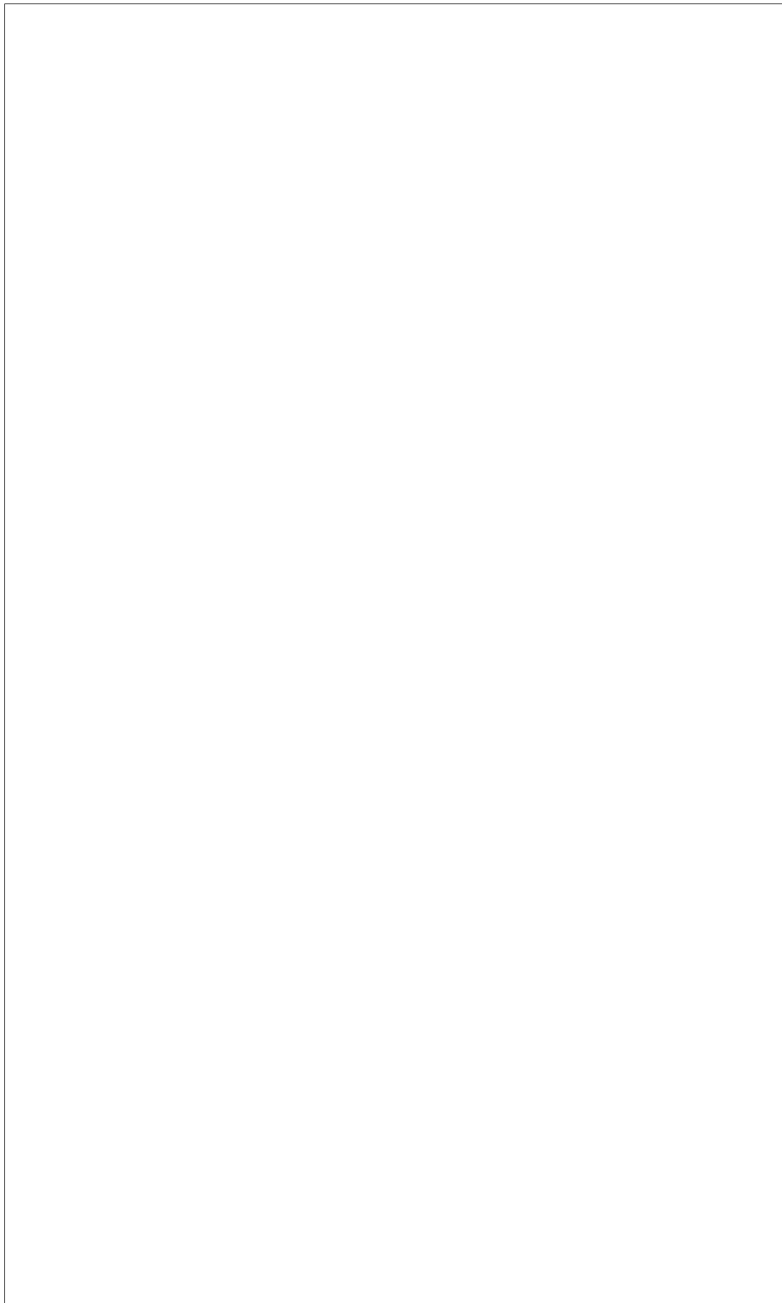
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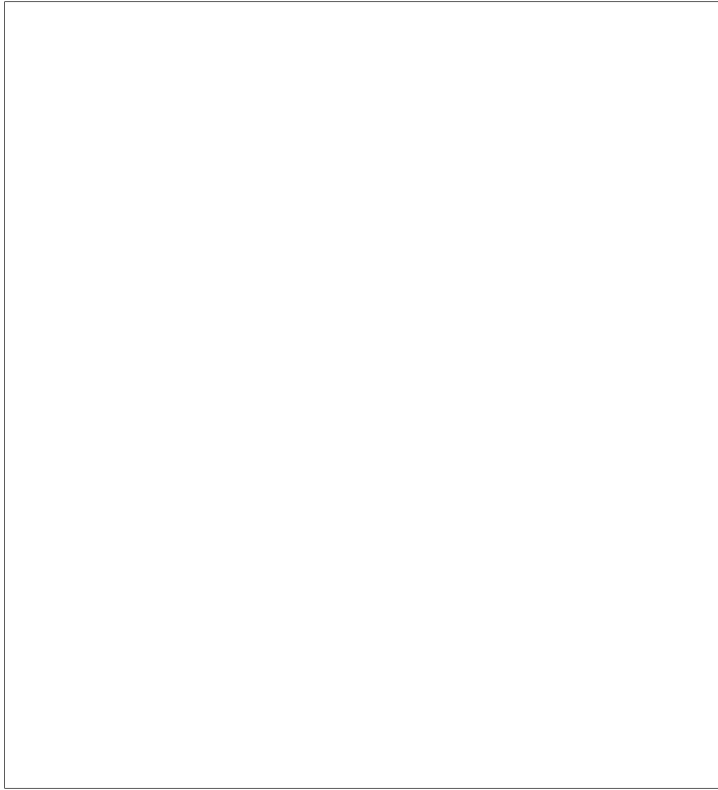
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