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10 January 2008

MEMORANDUM FOR:

VIA:

FROM:

SUBJECT:

CIA Declassification ~~Weekly~~ Report for 4 - 10 January 2008

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*(U) The Next Automatic Declassification Date is  
31 December 2008!*

*(U) Activities and Accomplishments Highlights*

(U) Of Management Interest

(U//~~ATUO~~) From the Archives

(U//~~ATUO~~) *How Not to Behave While Overseas*

(U//~~ATUO~~) A 1975 National Security Council memo from the administration of President Ford described a fact-finding mission to the Middle East by a member of Congress. According to a source involved with the trip, some of the highlights from the Congressman's visit to the region included:

- Discovering that "The PLO seemed to pose a problem to Israel."
- Asking Israeli Prime Minister Rabin "What's this Gaza stuff? I never have understood that."
- Touring the Suez Canal with Egyptian President Sadat and remarking "This is beautiful. I've always wanted to see the Persian Gulf."
- Reluctantly entering a Moslem Mosque after complaining it wasn't a "Christian building."

(U//~~ATUO~~) According to the NSC memo, this trip became "a bible of don'ts for diplomats and congressional staff. 'To put it bluntly, it was a diplomat's nightmare,' said one State Department official, who insisted on anonymity. 'He managed to insult almost every country....'"

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~~(U//AIUO)~~ *Fate of Nagy*

~~(U//AIUO)~~ From an intelligence memo of 19 June 1958 entitled *Execution of Imre Nagy* :

~~(U//AIUO)~~ The announcement on 16 June of the execution of former Hungarian Premier Imre Nagy and three of his associates attests to Moscow's overriding concern with the danger of "revisionism" and the lack of bloc unity toward Yugoslavia, even at the cost of highly unfavorable reactions from the free world. The provocative tone of the announcement has signaled harsher internal policies, including suppression of remaining traces of "revisionist" activity and any factionalism within the satellite parties. The actual date of the trial and execution of Nagy was not disclosed. Nagy is accused of cooperating with "imperialists" to bring about an "armed counterrevolutionary uprising aimed at the overthrow of the legal order." The American Legation reports the Hungarian people received the news of the execution with "stunned silence," anger, and, in some cases, tears.

~~(U//AIUO)~~ *Comment:* Nagy met a far harsher fate than did Alexander Dubcek, premier of Czechoslovakia, a decade later. After Warsaw Pact forces invaded to end the "Prague Spring" in August 1968, Moscow allowed Dubcek to hold various minor positions, and he lived to see the overthrow of Communist rule and become speaker of the new Federal Assembly before his death in 1992.

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~~(U//AIUO)~~ *Editor's Note:* Release decision of the above document was RIP.

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~~(U//AIUO)~~ **From the NARA Archives**

~~(U//AIUO)~~ *Poor Intelligence*

~~(U//AIUO)~~ A box of OSD documents contains a memo dated 8 July 1948 from Robert Blum to the Secretary of Defense. (Blum was a special consultant to the Secretary.) In his memo, Blum states that there has been "no original intelligence from CIA sources on the disagreement between Cominform and the Tito regime." All reports on the issue sent to the Secretary by DCI Hillenkoetter, Blum notes, are based on cables from the US Embassy in Belgrade. The embassy reports, moreover, "gave practically no important information which was not in the press at the time." Blum also comments that his review of recent issues of the CIA "Daily" and "Weekly Summaries" shows that the Agency merely "paraphrased Embassy reporting" on the break between Tito and Cominform and added comments that "were either irrelevant or inaccurate."

~~(U//AIUO)~~ In a handwritten note at the end of the memo, Blum adds, "In summary, the intelligence was very poor with substantially nothing collected that was not in the daily press, and with no significant estimates submitted."

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~~(U//AIUO)~~ *Editor's Note:* This information is taken from a one-page memorandum that was determined to be Release-in-Full.

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~~(U//AFO)~~ Progress Towards the 31 December 2008 Deadline

~~(U//AFO)~~ This thermometer chart provides a measure of completeness against the CIA records dated 1983 (technically in an "Integral File Block" with an end date 1983) that must be completed by **31 December 2008** to avoid automatic declassification (the order covers permanent records only and this deadline includes only CIA hardcopy textual records---no media). In this case, the thermometer goes through 31 December 2008. The chart reflects data current through **4 January 2008 and includes 2008 deadline material processed in prior years (primarily 2007)**.

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~~(U//AFO)~~ The first two thermometers measure progress against certification for material being processed manually (for accession to NARA or exemption) and via automated system (for delivery on CREST). The third thermometer measures overall progress (manual + automated). As in other "Thermo" charts, the targets are above the thermometer; the current pages processed to date ("production") 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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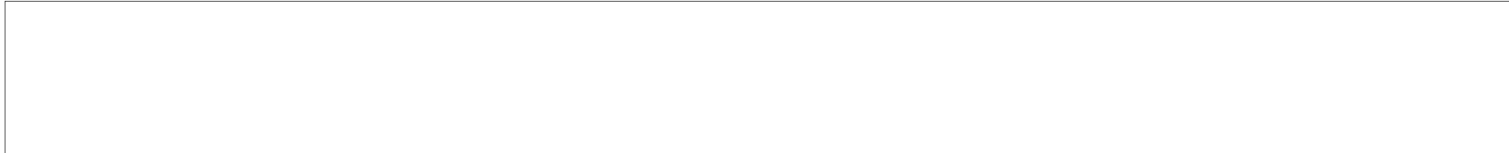
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(U//~~AIUC~~) Overall Production for FY 2008

(U//~~AIUC~~) The status of production against the FY2008 goals as of 7 January is presented in the "Thermometer Chart" below. This chart includes 2007 deadline material, 2008 deadline material above and other later deadline material.



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(U//~~AIUC~~) Note that this chart presents "Pages Certified this Fiscal Year" and is organized by product line. Thus counts in this chart reflect material that has completed the declassification review process this FY (i.e., "certified"). (Further Note: Included in the counts are  pages certified in previous years ("carry-over") but not otherwise counted in prior CDC End-of-Year metrics.) It does not reflect pages that have completed the full production process (i.e., been "delivered") but reflects progress against the Executive order deadlines which involve "declassification review" (and not delivery, e.g., to the National Archives). The chart below is organized by key goals, i.e., total review/release; automated review/release (our highest value online redacted product); and Presidential Libraries. (Note that Overall Total subsumes Automated, and Automated subsumes Presidential Library product. Because the Overall Total includes categories that are not displayed explicitly such as manual review, special media and external referrals; and automated review includes internal CIA material which is also not displayed explicitly---the Overall Total is not the simple sum of the two sub-categories to its right on the chart.)

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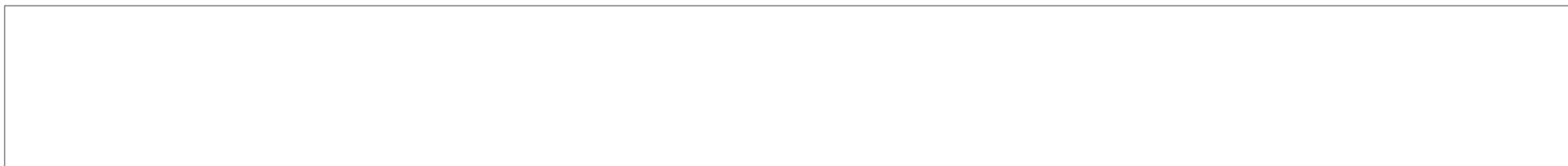
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**(U) Of General Interest**

**(U//~~AFUO~~) Declassification Review and Referral Branch**

**(U//~~AFUO~~) DRRB Weekly Activities**

(U//~~AFUO~~) Certifiers and reviewers are focused on 2008 review, certification and product generation (PROD GEN) activities. [redacted] worked with [redacted] to resolve the NCS/IRO's issues with CDC draft guidance on the Iran-Contra affair, and the Agency Review Panel (ARP) approved CDC's guidance on 8 January. [redacted]

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(U//~~AFUO~~) NCS Team: The NCS Team continues to review file series exempt (FSE) documents from Level 1 through quality assurance/quality control (QA/QC), to certification, and working the PROD GEN queue. The team also is working duplicate reconciliation (RECON) queues, Level 1 through QA/QC, and moving the documents to certification.



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(U//~~AFUO~~) Presidential Libraries (RAC) Team: The RAC [redacted] and RAC/SRC teams are fully employed with the review, certification, RECON, and PROD GEN of Presidential Library documents. The RAC teams also are conducting a final quality review check of [redacted] CDs containing material from the Johnson, Nixon, Ford, Carter, and Reagan Presidential Libraries.



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(U//~~AFUO~~) DI Team: The DI Team continued work on the review, certification, and PROD GEN of 2008 and later documents. [redacted] is wrapping up her work on the NARA Z project. [redacted]

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(U//~~AFUO~~) D/CIA Team: The D/CIA team is working on the remaining 2007 documents in PROD GEN queues (DCI, DS, and DI) and is certifying 2008 documents. The team also continues its review for D/CIA equities in over [redacted] pages of NRO hard copy referrals that the DS&T team previously had reviewed for DS&T equities. In addition, the team is beginning triage of jobs due for re-review. [redacted] will join the team as a new certifier on Monday (14 January). [redacted]

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(U//~~AFUO~~) Quality Control/Training: [redacted] started preparing the agenda for the next Quality Review Board (QRB) meeting. [redacted] began an evaluation of December's document deferral rate for the teams and also began preparing a summary of the deferral results for FY 2007. [redacted]

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**(U//~~AFUO~~) NARA Operations Team**

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(U//~~ATUO~~) Reviewers are working State, USAF, OSD, and JCS boxes, and technicians are entering the results into the database. [redacted]

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(U//~~ATUO~~) One reviewer spent a full day working on the NDI Quality Assurance Team. There was no meeting of the NDI Joint Remediation Group. [redacted]

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

**(U//~~ATUO~~) Account Manager's Activities**

(U//~~ATUO~~) National Library - Carter (NLC) batches [redacted] were returned from NLC following their equity review and processed through CADRE. [redacted]

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(U//~~ATUO~~) The responsible account manager assembled one batch of referrals from several presidential libraries [redacted] documents, [redacted] pages) for eventual review by the Department of State (DOS-CAD-39) as soon as the Department is ready to receive additional referrals. [redacted]

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(U//~~ATUO~~) The responsible account manager boxed and sent to the National Security Agency (NSA) for review [redacted] batches of referrals from several presidential libraries and CIA Central Archives (AARC) [redacted] Included were batches NSA-CAD-01 (partial) through NSA-CAD-12. [redacted]

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(U//~~ATUO~~) The responsible account manager identified and processed [redacted] referrals to State, NSA, and USAID. These documents were reviewed by the interested OGAs, and their corresponding batches moved into CADRE. [redacted]

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(U//~~ATUO~~) The responsible account manager delivered [redacted] internal referrals [redacted] from the AARC to the Historical Collections Division (HCD) for review under the Nazi War Crimes legislation. [redacted]

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(U//~~ATUO~~) The responsible account manager for Office of Secretary of Defense (OSD) processed OSD batches [redacted] and [redacted] into AMDB & CADRE, then forwarded to appropriate Teams for further processing. [redacted]

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(U//~~ATUO~~) The responsible account manager for Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) processed batch [redacted] in AMDB and CADRE, then forwarded to the Teams for further processing. [redacted]

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(U//~~ATUO~~) The responsible account manager for the Office of Secretary of Defense (OSD) prepared OSD batches [redacted] for review by OSD. [redacted]

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(U//~~ATUO~~) National Security Council (NSC) batch [redacted] was processed and sent to NSC for equity review. [redacted]

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(U//~~ATUO~~) National Library - Carter (NLC) batches [redacted] were received from NLC following their equity review and processed through CADRE. [redacted]

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**(U//~~ATUO~~) ER&L Outreach**

(U//~~ATUO~~) ER&L assisted the Historical Collections Division (HCD) to request that the Department of State review on an expedited basis a small collection of some [redacted] documents on the service of Richard M. Helms as U.S. ambassador to Iran in the mid 1970s. HCD wishes to draw on these documents, after redaction and declassification, for a conference and publication program tentatively scheduled to be held in Washington in March 2008. The Department has advised ER&L it would make every effort to accommodate the Agency by reviewing the documents quickly. [redacted]

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**(U//~~ATUO~~) Other Government Agencies' On-Site Review**

(U//~~ATUO~~) A reviewer from the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) worked one day [redacted] reviewing documents from both the STAIRS and CADRE databases. The reviewer completed work on one referral (five pages) from STAIRS and nine documents (92 pages) printed from CADRE, from the Truman and Reagan libraries. ER&L is applying USAID's review decisions to these returns and will forward them in their respective databases for further processing. [redacted]

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**(U//~~ATUO~~) Remote Archive Capture (RAC) Program**

**(U//~~ATUO~~) STAIRS Operation and Administration**

(U//~~ATUO~~) [redacted] completed the scanning of all available Air Force referrals at NARA resulting in a total of [redacted] documents and approximately [redacted] pages in the second tranche of NARA-Z (Air Force referrals). [redacted]

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**(U//~~ATUO~~) Other Government Agencies' On-Site Review**

(U//~~ATUO~~) Note: The State of the Art Information 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~~) The following individuals representing the indicated agencies conducted on-site reviews of library documents in STAIRS:

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**(U//AIUO) Support to FRUS**

(U//AIUO) [redacted] of the FRUS conducted review of Carter Library material in STAIRS.  
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**(U//~~AIUO~~) MDR Activity**

(U//~~AIUO~~) The Nixon Staff submitted [redacted] pages. [redacted] were processed and pouched to other Government Agencies for review and return to the Nixon Staff. [redacted] were processed and forwarded to PIPD for review and return to the Nixon Staff.  
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(U//~~AIUO~~) The Ford Library submitted [redacted] Mandatory Declassification Review (MDR) requests for [redacted] documents totaling [redacted] pages. All of these documents were processed and forwarded to PIPD for review and return to the Ford Library.  
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(U//~~AIUO~~) The Kennedy Library submitted two Mandatory Declassification Review (MDR) requests for [redacted] documents totaling [redacted]. All of these documents were processed and pouched to other Government Agencies for review and return to the Kennedy Library. [redacted]

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**(U//~~AIUO~~) Declassification Services Branch**

**(U//~~AIUO~~) NARA CREST Printing Activity**

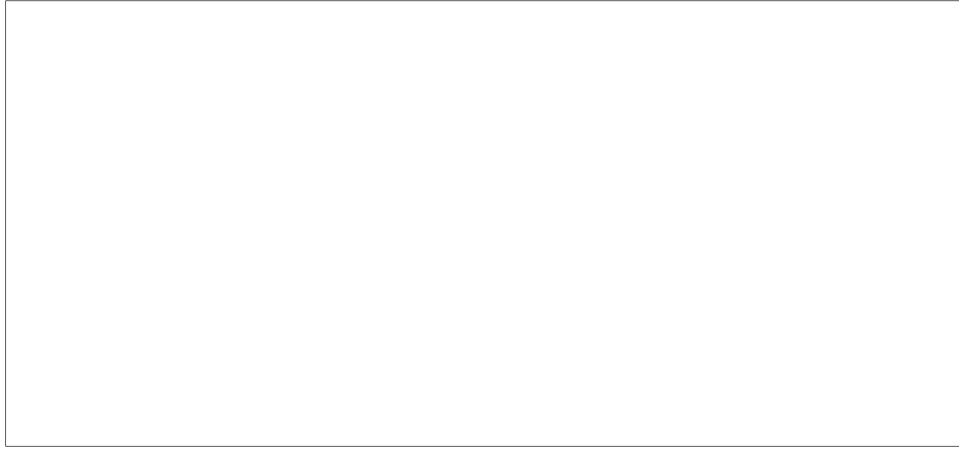
(U//~~AIUO~~) Through week 13 of FY 2008, ending 2 January 2008, researchers using the CREST system at NARA selected [redacted] pages for printing from [redacted] documents. The numbers listed below for the week 20 December - 2 January 2008, and totals for FY 2008 above, include the printing numbers from the delivery of the 2006 database, which resides on a separate machine. From the 2006 materials alone, researchers selected [redacted] pages for printing from [redacted] documents since the beginning of the FY. The printing activity for the last eleven weeks is listed below.

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~~(U//ATUO)~~ **Document Declassification Support System (DDSS)**

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~~(U//ATUO)~~ **Duplicate Document Resolution and Reconciliation (D2R2)**

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~~(U//ATUO)~~ **CADRE Support**

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- Created five DRs: one on the inability to search on inactive field values (values that cannot be selected in CADRE but that may be associated with documents and cases migrated from MORI); one on the need for the capability to query document title, keywords, and text simultaneously; one on the need for the Subject field on the Case tab of the Retrieval form to be moved and enlarged; one on the need for a Special Handling field on the Case tab of the Retrieval form; and one on the need for a Keywords field on the Case tab.
- Conducted user acceptance testing on and failed three DRs scheduled to be included in CADRE Release 2.1.
- Attended the CADRE Acceptance and Deployment Readiness Review for Case Management IOC.
- Participated in a CADRE Release 2.2 DR Review TEM.
- Participated in the CADRE ERB and, at the request of the ERB chair, conducted research on case-keyword searching.
- Attended the MORI-CADRE Data Migration Working Group and the Case Management Training Working Group meetings.

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**(U//~~ATUO~~) Mosaic Analysis Program (MAP)**

- (U//~~ATUO~~) The team is completing its review of the 2001 metadata.
- (U//~~ATUO~~) [Redacted] has provided our team with samples from his OCR testing. We have requested additional datasets for testing and quality evaluation on IN-SPIRE.

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

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

(U//~~ATUO~~) The ASC scanned [Redacted] pages and indexed [Redacted] documents of DCI and MSO and NCS Information Reports TRIAGE material. In addition, the ASC indexed [Redacted] images of Reagan Presidential Library records. [Redacted]

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

(U//~~ATUO~~) Our attention is focused on general FY 2008 production and 2008 deadline material. [Redacted]

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(U//~~ATUO~~) [Redacted] will join the D/CIA Team as a new certifier on Monday (14 January). Welcome aboard,

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