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**REPORT ON OSS ACTIVITIES
FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH, 1944**

Attached are reports concerning OSS personnel, Washington appointments and changes, transportation of personnel overseas, the four theaters of operations: KTO, NATO, METO, and FETO (China-Assan, including Detachment 101, and SEAC), the four neutral missions, and reports on the following branches: Communications, Field Photographic, Foreign Nationalities, R & A, Security, Schools and Training, and Services. Other branches are not covered separately because it was believed their activities would more properly be treated under the respective theaters in which they operate.

There are a few additions in this report from that of the preceding month, including a statement of transportation status of personnel, a monthly report of cargo status for the services branches, and 4 reports on neutral missions. The latter are actually copies of the reports that went to the Joint Chiefs of Staff and will continue to be quarterly rather than monthly in view of the small amount of information available on a monthly basis concerning those areas.

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Reports Officer

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PERSONNEL CHANGES AND APPOINTMENTS

FOR THE MONTH OF MARCH 1944

- C. Martin Wilbur, Acting Asst. Chief, Political Sub-division, Far East Division, R & A, replacing Dr. Cora DuBois (1 Mar.)
- Mr. Shepard Morgan appointed member of OSS Planning Group (1 Mar.)
- Col. Theodore D. Palmer, Jr., AUS, assigned to staff of the Deputy Director Intelligence Service as Asst. Deputy Director, vice Col. J. R. Forgan. (March 1)
- Lt. Comdr. Edward A. Bacon, USNR, relieved from duty with CD Branch and assigned to staff of Deputy Director, IS (Mar. 1)
- Major Blaise deSibour appointed Travel Sponsor, SSO (Mar. 2)
- Lt. Col. Preston E. James appointed Security Officer R & A succeeding Mr. Jesse H. Shera. (Mar. 3)
- John P. Chapman appointed Chief of R & A Outpost Unit, succeeding Lt. William Applebaum. Mr. Applebaum will continue in his regular duties as Special Assistant to the Director of the Branch.
- Lt. Clarence Malden Jones, Assistant to Deputy Chief, MO (Branch Order 4 - 4 March)
- Lt. Comdr. Andrew G. Carey, USNR, appointed Acting European Theater Officer, vice Ensign John D. Wilson, USNR, during the latter's absence on duty overseas. (Special Order 42, Supp. 1 - 11 March)
- Major Reeve Hoover, Cav. appointed Acting Transportation Officer, vice Lt. Comdr. Carey, during the latter's temporary service in above capacity. (Special Order 42, Supp. 1 - 11 March)
- Lt. Raymond Deston, USNR, appointed Chief of Central Information Division (formerly acting Chief. (Branch Order 68 - March 8)
- Col. Carl F. Sifler, Commanding Officer, Field Experimental Unit - Special Order No. 56, 31 March

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- Lt. Col. Kenneth D. Mann, Deputy Chief, MO (Acting) -
vice Morton Bodfish, relieved -- Branch Order
No. 3, 26 March
- George William Cottrell, Chief Biographical Records
Section, P. L. Ward, assistant. Branch Order
No. 6, 22 March 1944
- Col. John G. Coughlin, Chief OSS, China and Commanding
Officer of Detachment 101 - Special Order No. 27,
Supp. 1, 24 March.
- Maj. Charles Eubank, Personnel Officer, SSO - vice Lt.
Comdr. Edward J. Green, USNR - Office Order No. 9,
22 March
- Captain Floyd R. Frasee, Executive Officer Kifler Mission
- Branch Order No. 1, 22 March
- Mr. Chandler Morse, Chief of R & A, European Theater -
vice Mr. Shepard Morgan - and
Major Stuart Hughes, Chief R & A, North African Theater
- vice Mr. Donald McKay. - Branch Order No. 71,
17 March
- Col. H. L. Robinson, F.A., Chief, Schools and Training
Branch - Special Order No. 55, 24 March
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TRANSPORTATION STATUS

The following number of persons were moved to the port
of embarkations:

<u>Period</u>	<u>BYO</u>	<u>MARK</u>	<u>AMMO</u>	<u>PKTO</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
February 28 to March 5	1	1	5	9	16
March 6 to 12	57	9	5	14	85
March 13 to 19	47	3	17	0	67
March 20 to 26	0	220	7	33	260
March 27 to April 2	<u>92</u>	<u>8</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>102</u>
TOTAL	198	241	35	57	531

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TOTAL STRENGTH REPORT FOR OSS PERSONNEL

Number assigned (exclusive of personnel temporarily attached to OSS) as of: 31 March 1944
date

TYPE OF PERSONNEL	UNITED STATES					OVERSEAS						OSS GRAND TOTAL
	ON DUTY		TRAINING		TOTAL	ETO	NATO	METO	FETO	OTHER	TOTAL	
	IN MDW	OUT MDW	IN MDW	OUT MDW								
ARMY* OFFICER	226	49	93	42	410	316	204	169	107	0	796	1206
ENL. MEN	1001	327	20	374	1722	1123	913	590	223	0	2846	4568
TOTAL	1227	376	113	416	2132	1439	1114	759	330	0	3642	5774
NAVY OFFICER	97	8	30	4	139	46	19	28	20	6	119	258
ENL. MEN	117	62	32	1	212	82	17	37	26	35	197	409
TOTAL	214	70	62	5	351	128	36	65	46	41	316	667
MARINE OFFICER	16	6	-	-	22	12	6	4	3	2	27	49
ENL. MEN	6	26	-	-	32	7	4	3	0	4	18	50
TOTAL	22	32	-	-	54	19	10	7	3	6	45	99
COAST GUARD OFFICER	0	0	-	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	0
ENL. MEN	1	4	-	14	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	19
TOTAL	1	4	-	14	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	19
TOTAL SERVICE OFFICER	339	63	123	46	571	374	229	201	130	8	942	1513
ENL. MEN	1125	419	52	389	1985	1212	931	630	249	39	3061	5046
TOTAL	1464	482	175	435	2556	1586	1160	831	379	47	4003	6559
CIVILIAN VOUCHERED	1628	194	-	-	1822	210	4	12	4	3	233	2055
SPECIAL	324	33	-	-	357	126	156	120	77	0	479	836
TOTAL	1952	227	-	-	2179	336	160	132	81	3	712	2891
OSS GRAND TOTAL	3416	709	175	435	4735	1922	1320	963	460	50	4715	9450
*WACS OFFICER	-	-	1	-	1	6	1	-	-	-	7	8
ENLISTED	-	-	0	-	0	62	27	-	-	-	89	89
TOTAL	-	-	1	-	1	68	28	-	-	-	96	97

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TOP SECRET**EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS****REPORT****MARCH, 1944****I. GENERAL**

An analysis of operations in the European Theater during March indicated that there is general recognition that London will continue to be official headquarters in the post D-day period in contrast with the Mediterranean operations, where the establishment of Palermo and Naples as headquarters was an immediate consequence of invasion. Secondly, it was evident that increasing American and British cooperation characterized the operational planning. On both an intelligence and an operations level OSS activities in the European Theater should be considered in terms of preparation for the invasion of the continent.

INTELLIGENCE

II. SI Total personnel: 189, of which 42 are French Officers and Enlisted Men, and 56 are civilians.

A. Sussex Plan

All Sussex operations were cancelled during the March moon because no message of any sort was received from the Pathfinders. More precise planning was further hampered by not too reliable data on airfields. In spite of this fact, there was no slackening in the program and briefing of the first group of agents began on the 20th

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of the month to tie in with a target date of approximately April 1. Four American teams were briefed and standing by at the end of March, and five British teams were ready. Negotiations were begun to effect the withdrawal of the Sussex instructors for duty in the field subsequent to a brief refresher course. Consideration has been given in March to alternative means of receiving Sussex teams in the field in case the Pathfinders are unable to complete their programs in time.

At the end of March, of the total personnel of 203 required for Sussex, 144 were on hand, 28 had been recruited but had not joined and an additional 31 were to be recruited, of whom 12 were to come from the U.S. and 19 from the European theater. 106 of the Sussex agents were in training at Ts-7 of whom 67 had been processed as to cover stories and identity papers.

75% of the equipment requested from the U.S. has been obtained, and the initial supply of agents' sets is on hand.

B. Other Special Plans

1. Proust Plan. This plan, providing for a reserve pool of 50 French agents to assist field intelligence in France after D-day, began to take increasing shape throughout March. The training program at Area B (Freehold) was formulated. Special emphasis in this program as the result of

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a recommendation by Major Lloyd was on radio communications, German order of battle, and trade-craft.

By the end of March, 31 students were at Area B. Fourteen more were scheduled to report on April 1, 12 of the 14 had been selected in the North African theater. At the same time, the Operations Section had undertaken to provide equipment and clothing for Proust agents and made arrangements to obtain the necessary coupons.

2. Labor Section

(a) Mission Varlin. (A mission designed to send men with labor contacts into France to work with resistance groups) -- A second message from Varlin reported that successful contact with trade union elements in Paris had been effected and that the first organizational step had been taken. Swiss contacts received a preliminary message and were waiting for further Varlin contact from Paris.

(b) Faust B. Plan. (This plan provides for the penetration of men with labor backgrounds into Germany) -- The first 11 recruits plus one staffman arrived - 2 from North Africa; the others from the U.S. Further implementation of

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the plan was undertaken by arrangements which provided for instruction by a part-time staff of specialist civilian instructors. Major responsibility for the training operations has been assumed by the Labor Section. A house called "Milwaukee" was secured for the Faust training project.

3. Norwegian Group. (A Sussex plan for Norway)

-- No developments.

C. Strategic Intelligence

1. OSS inaugurated discussions in an attempt to help defray certain expenses of BCRA (the intelligence section of the French Committee of National Liberation). Increased cooperation has been effected; for example, on 11 March BCRA began to use the OSS London to Algiers pouch.

2. During March also efforts have been made to coordinate the Medusa plan; Lt. Colonel Coster travelled to North Africa, and Morey to London to participate in meetings on the subject.

3. A large number of wireless messages have been received from the Dutch on the subject of the threatened inundation of Holland by the Germans.

4. The Registry reported the accessioning of 9016 reports and documents - 50% more than on the month of January.

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1. The Reports Division of SI has arranged with R & A for the joint analysis and editing of SI reports. The bulk of miscellaneous intelligence which is not worthy of SI dissemination will be turned over to R & A in the original with the understanding that the latter will then serve the interests of both MO and OWI in such material.

2. Relations with EOU (Enemy Objective Unit) have remained satisfactory with regard to the "round the clock" checking and evaluation of data.

III. X-2 Total personnel: 75, of which 24 are civilians.

A. Arrangements were completed for sending an X-2 representative from London to Stockholm, under diplomatic cover, to establish a base for activities in Scandinavia.

B. Preliminary negotiations were initiated in February to attach SCI personnel to the Strategic Air Force. These dickeringings gathered momentum in March despite the delays occasioned by the revision of the original plan and its subsequent resubmission to the OSS Commanding Officer. In this connection, SHAEF gave approval for X-2 to deal directly with A-2 on questions affecting Air Force SCI and personnel; formerly, SHAEF had to be consulted on all such matters.

C. During the month a training program for codists was set up in conjunction with continuing training of SCI

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teams in London, and overall cryptographic plans were established. Subsequently, a reexamination of the entire X-2 Communications set-up got under way with a view to expanding previously assigned facilities.

D. The Commander-in-Chief, ETOUSA, approved 3 Special Counter-Intelligence units to operate with Army Corps Headquarters and with the First and Third Armies. In this connection, officers were to be assigned to Signal Intelligence Units doing DF work. These officers would assist and advise in the apprehension of enemy agents and the penetration of enemy networks. Training of personnel for this work and of other personnel for double agent work was in process.

E. Similarly, X-2 with its British opposite number was training personnel to staff the Central Counter-Intelligence Bureau which was to be the central coordinating agency for counter-intelligence work under SHARP. X-2 officers were also being trained to work with British Counter-Intelligence units in areas which would be under British jurisdiction during the invasion. Progress was made in the preparation of Counter-Espionage handbooks to be used by allied sources.

F. The overall equipment picture appeared fairly satisfactory. The officer complement had 40% of its total equipment; the enlisted men had 95% of their equipment. All the vehicles had been delivered, but only 10% of the total arms was on hand.

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IV. R & A Total Personnel: 100, of which 56 are civilians.

A. General

1. Chandler Morse arrived in the theater on March 30 to head the R & A Branch. Solution of relatively long standing problems awaited Morse on his arrival. Some of these were how to service MO and OWI most effectively, how to handle the economic work, and finally how to implement R & A's position in the PW (Prisoners of War) picture.

2. R & A has had continuing functions for several months. These commitments were executed according to plan: a) the Weekly Political Report for Ambassador Winant, b) the Weekly Political Annex for incorporation into G-2's periodic intelligence report, c) the reporting and evaluation function in the Civil Affairs Training Program, d) the weekly assembly of relevant data to brief Col. Forgan and Brinton for participation in the American Intelligence Committee.

B. Joint Allocation Committee

The major achievement was the organization, largely through the instigation of R & A and with the support of G-5 (Civil Affairs), and G-6 (Psychological Warfare), of the Joint Allocation Committee to be known as JACCI. It is a joint committee of OSS-PWE (Psychological Warfare Executive), MEW (Minister Economic Warfare) and EWD set

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up to handle economic or economic-political questions and avoid duplication. It is in actual fact an extension of the central committee of OSS-PWE.

C. PWE-OSS Teams

More progress was reported in activating the joint PWE-OSS Service. R & A will have a chance to do much of the real intelligence work for G-6 of SHAEF (the Psychological Branch of Supreme Headquarters Allied Forces) when the service takes shape. The indication is that these OSS-PWE teams will have a chance to do the bulk of the intelligence work for G-6 after D-Day. Meanwhile the thought is to experiment with these teams in meeting requests from Civil Affairs sources.

D. The Enemy Objective Unit and PR

EOU continued to prepare reports of tactical and strategic economic objectives for the USSTAF in the field. PR was kept exceptionally busy at its bomb damage estimates due to the heavy concentration of AAF daylight attacks of late February and early March. The total volume of work turned out by PR in the last 2 weeks of March hit a new high. A decided lag in obtaining post-rain photographs hampered PR's operations to some extent.

E. Civil Affairs Training

Active participation of R & A in Shrivenham activity (the Civil Affairs Training Program) continued.

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Certain of the Branch personnel lectured during the month. More significant was the R & A part in turning out the German "Angot Bible". It was estimated that R & A participation constituted a saving of about 50% of the time required. R & A experts to be asked to review Surivennan's finished French and German planning job.

F. General Intelligence Unit

GIU continues its intensive analysis of captured enemy equipment. Output of trucks production up to 1946 were made on the basis of a serial number analysis. Revised estimates of 1947 German Mark IV output were also made.

G. M. Service

Apart from maps requested or in progress, one map has been completed and two forwarded for reproduction. The maps are on: 1. Surface electrical power lines, Lille-Ghent Area, France, 2. Railways and waterways of Holland (1,000 copies), 3. Administrative map of Hesson (1,000 preliminary copies).

The map information section received 50 requests for maps of which 15 have been filled and 37 are in progress.

V. CD

OPERATIONS

VI. SC Total personnel: 707, of which 2 are civilians and 705 are French officers.

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1. The February analysis of Jedburgh operations states that there was a very definite morale problem in connection with the Jedburgh W/T operators. The continuing improvement in morale during March was attributed mainly to the over-all promotion of the W/T operators to T 3, better radio-set operation, authorized parachute pay, additional advanced training for teams and new school leadership. A field exercise known as "Jolly" was conducted 21-23 March.

2. Achievements thus far include the infiltration of two agents into France, and two agents for escape line work - one of whom went into France in October. Also two agents have been successfully exfiltrated into Spain. Word has been received from the Field that the French have awarded the croix de guerre to one agent.

3. During March actual implementation of the proposed SO/SOE plan took place. The procedure as set-up provided for joint American-British activity all along the line. SO staff were to be at the Headquarters of American Armies. Another staff was to have full information concerning SO/SOE resources and resistance personnel ~~about~~ with which they were working. Tasks then might be set for SO by Army Headquarters, but the SO staff at Army Headquarters

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must pass the task along to SO, SOE Headquarters through the SO staff at Army Group Headquarters. Therefore, in fact, the actual directive to the field, no matter where it was initiated - Army Headquarters, Army Group Headquarters or even SHAEF - would be carried out from SO/SOE Headquarters in England.

4. Concerning personnel, the Jedburgh field requirements have been almost met. There are now 42 officers and 41 enlisted men on hand, with a total of 8 officers and men to be recruited.

VII. AIR OPERATIONS

A. Occupation of the airdrome at Harrington has commenced. 28 B-24 aircraft will be available on or about 1 April 1944. The 4 remaining planes earmarked for OSS Squadron were set to arrive and an airdrome reserve of 12 completely modified aircraft was requested.

B. There is an inconsistency in the reporting of successful sorties made during March, perhaps due to the fact that some of the sorties were jointly with SOF. At the date, in the report to March 15 there were stated to be 47 successful sorties made by American Liberators in which 528 containers were dropped to the field. (A container weighs 338 pounds gross and a package weighs 100 pounds). According to the end of March report a total of 73 sorties was flown during March, of which 34 were

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successfully completed. From the beginning of operations to April 1, 1944, 149 sorties were reported flown by OSS squadrons of which 67 were successfully completed.

C. The flow of delivered containers is constantly increasing, as shown by the following: January 60, February 240, March 526. During March 2500 containers were packed at Holme. This figure represented a total not anticipated for March, although a monthly figure of 2500 was to be the ultimate goal. Only 140 men were actually engaged in packing operations or in preparing parachutes and the rest were engaged in service functions.

D. The overall personnel complement requirement for Air Operation was 24 officers and 325 enlisted men. They were all on hand at the end of March. However, there is a functional split here as between the AirOps Headquarters in London and the Packing Station at Holme. Personnel at the latter totalled 336 EM and 19 officers. Activities in London were carried on by a small officer nucleus operating on administrative and policy-making matters.

E. The morale problem here could become acute for several reasons. The remote location of the Station is probably a contributing factor, but more important is the fact that the station was overstaffed. In the case of officers, the ones who could not be used immediately elsewhere were sent to the station. This amounted virtually to their parking time until something could be turned up

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to utilize them. The EM not actually doing the packing were not kept busy. The situation will be remedied considerably if OSS is granted additional air lift which has been requested. During March, however, there were too many men to do the job.

VIII. MO Total Personnel: 55, of which 30 are civilians.

MO is now part of the PWB organization on the same level as PWE and OWI. MO's position has added significance with Oechsner as one of the three Deputy Directors of PWB, operating at the SHAEF level.

Because the greatest problem of PWB generally was manpower, particularly in staff positions, some available MO personnel was absorbed into the larger unit. Thus, some of the MO staff is dispersed and does not confine itself wholly to "Black" propaganda although MO as such handles only "Black". Despite the PWB commitment there should be no let-up in the U.S. recruiting during the next six months for MO functions exclusive of PWB, either in secretarial or professional work.

IX. MA Total Personnel: 13.

A. At the end of March MA was still waiting - for personnel that had been promised, for boats that had been refitted once, and for clarification of its status as to the authority and jurisdiction of maritime sabotage operations. Of 49 men required, 14 were on hand. A start was made in equipping the Unit.

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B. The preliminary decision on Plan "A" (pick-up missions by clandestine ferrying) was to allocate fast surface ships to OSS but this has not been effected as of the end of March. The operational prospects for Plan "B" (direct attacks by underwater swimmers) were very much brighter due to the excellent performance turned in by the L Units (individual teams to attack water targets) during visits by high Army and Navy officials. It was anticipated that one L team would carry out the first "B" operations in late April, to be followed successively by 4 or 5 in May. The military visitors were evidently greatly impressed by the possibilities of "B" operations, carried out in conjunction with resistance groups. In consequence, a study was initiated to define as accurately as possible, L Unit potentialities in terms of personnel, equipment and training for the purpose of recommending to G 3, SHAEF, the proper allocation of the L-Unit.

X. QG Total Personnel: 91.

QG continued to be unsuccessful in its efforts to procure boats. Consequently, there were no operations during the month and no future operation for them was approved. The group was a superior one both in character and training and it was hoped that it would be used. If, however, it should develop that OSS cannot use them when training is completed, the Group will be returned to the Army units from which it was originally recruited.

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XI. COMMUNICATIONS Total Personnel: 354, of which 11 are civilians.

A. Station Charles. (for SO, including Jedburgh)

This station continued to maintain its contacts with Mobile Unit in the field, Norwegian circuits and circuits working across the channel. The exercise "Sally" was conducted satisfactorily with SO from March 20-24. The station complement is 265 officers and men.

B. Station Victor. (for SI including Sussex and X-2)

Victor was completed by the end of March except that the antennae had not been installed. However, the station is in an operating condition, since a listening and monitoring watch was instituted during exercises. This station will handle SI and X-2 traffic in connection with Sussex and SCI units. No decoding will be done here, but after messages are received they in turn will be relayed over a teleprint machine to be decoded and distributed. The Communications Branch in London will prepare a master list of the call sign time at which agents should signal and their frequency.

Arrangements were initiated to train operators on Sussex operations with agents in the field. These exercises were scheduled to take place about April 17, and will last two weeks to afford opportunity to become acquainted with the traffic from these agents.

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When Victor is fully operating, total personnel is to be 105. The present complement is 58 officers and men.

C. Mobile Unit.

This unit, with a complement of 51 officers and men, participated in the exercise "Sally". The equipment is complete with the exception of a few items.

XII. SERVICES Total Personnel: 373, of which 62 are civilians.

The requisition procedure that Services has established depends, for most effective results, on the channelling of all requests from the Branches through the central supply officer of Service to the Procurement and Supply Branch in Washington. When Branches have attempted to bypass this approved channel either by cable or pouch, the cable request has frequently been caught and rechannelled. With the exception of the Branch violation via the pouch request, the system as set up by Services has worked effectively.

New procedure on cargo shipments by which copies of the shipping documents are sent to the theater rectified a serious gap in the theater's information. To implement the speedy handling of cargo shipment the Regional Transport Officer (RTO) has been set up with offices at all principal transport centers. It services both Americans and British by dealing with a multiplicity of problems in general, and by expediting shipments and transport.

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Plans for the British Isles section of the Coastal Command project were completed and filming was scheduled to commence as soon as security had been cleared. The Small Camera training program was highly successful, a number of X-2, SI students attended. Experimental work in connection with the Office of Scientific Research and Development is continuing and OSS has received some very favorable reports from the Air Ministry. The photographic unit has been credited with the rapid development of the new aluminum oxide explosive through high speed camera recording.

Plans were made to depict the Jedburgh Plan in newsreel style and work on the Navy picture was actually started.

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THEATER REPORT

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I. GENERAL

Following the new army organization in the Mediterranean, OSS Algiers assumed control of the Bari base and operations into Albania and Yugoslavia on 31 March.

The set-up is tentatively as follows:

OSS Headquarters - Algiers - OC: Col. Glavin

- a. OSS/AAI, Caserta - OC: Col. Carter
 - 1. 5th Army Advance Base
 - 2. Advance Base, Bari OC: Lt. Comdr. Green
 - 3. Advance Base, Corsica OC: Capt. Wentworth
- b. Middle East - Lt. Col. Toulmin
 - 1. Istanbul Mission: Lt. Col. MacFarland
 - 2. Africa Section, Adera: Maj. Schmidt

Istanbul will have primary responsibility for all operations and intelligence in Central Europe, Bulgaria, Hungary and Rumania, and Cairo will conduct all operations and intelligence in the Near East and Greece with the exception of Western Thrace which is to be under Istanbul.

The Africa Section continues to be directed from Washington with Headquarters at Accra and a liaison officer at Cairo.

Lt. Colonel Toulmin and Lt. Colonel MacFarland, Strategic Services Officers at Cairo and Istanbul, left 25 March for Washington to confer with the Directorate on the problems arising from the new set-up.

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The Bari Base is now being reorganized in the direction of Lt. Comdr. Green.

II. SI

For details of the progress of specific SI Missions see attached chart.

A. Yugoslavia

Six teams were sent to the field this month and several others are awaiting transportation - Intelligence is being sent regularly concerning battle order, effect of bombing on targets, political and economic conditions.

Two weather teams are operating successfully, two are ready to go in and personnel is being trained for additional teams.

Major Neil, Senior SI representative at Partisan GHQ, returned to Cairo for reports and consultation, and plans are being made to send an intelligence mission to Mihailovitch. Major Neil has rendered a valuable report of his observations while at Tito's Hq.

B. Greece

Seven missions are in Greece, two are enroute to their destination and several new ones are under preparation including two for the Dodecanese Islands. Daily A/T contact is maintained with Athens, but almost all of the other missions are experiencing difficulty with the transmission of intelligence due to the activities of German troops.

A joint mission with SO went into the Evros region.

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The situation among the guerrillas there has changed for the better, and much of the credit is said to be due to an OSS man.

One of our officers attended a conference in Sofia of the various secret services ISLD, Force 133, A Force and OSS with 2 EAM delegates from EVVIA, as a result of which free passage was obtained for allied personnel and all bona fide Greek technical personnel through EAM lines. No arms were promised and the agreement was completely non-political.

More evidence has been discovered of spy and sabotage activities at the Cyprus base. Two of our courier captains were shanghaied and beaten, but escaped.

The agents operating in Northern Thrace will henceforth be under the direction of Istanbul.

C. Albania

Two missions are now developing in the field, one in the north central coastal areas, the other in the south central and southern inland areas. A network of teams of local people centering around each base has been started. As American personnel is available, base teams will be completed, then teams for sub-bases will be formed linking the local units to bases, using appropriate cutouts. Twelve agents are in the field. Lack of radio operators has prevented three complete base teams being formed but at the end of the month the situation is clearing and 15 well-trained operators have been promised.

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The effectiveness of Albanian operations has been cut down to a substantial degree due to failure of transportation facilities. As sea traffic is obviously undependable, a request for light planes has been made to the Air Liaison Officer at Caserta.

D. Africa

The new head of the Africa desk at Cairo arrived. He will be in charge of the AF station and will serve as a liaison and information officer for African affairs in Cairo, providing a link with Headquarters at Accra.

Intelligence on diamond smuggling activities continues to be one of the Division's main projects and close watch is being kept, especially in West Africa. Submarine activity has been discovered in Angola which is thought to be connected with the diamond activity, and a fishing patrol has been arranged to investigate.

Our small nucleus in Ethiopia is weak due to the lack of an organizer to lead the mission, but excellent reporting was received from our new reporter in the Belgian Congo on the Mulaberg mutiny. Reports on Axis agents and suspects, subversive activities of political factions, and the locations of Axis transmitters are arriving regularly.

260 reports were received during the month of which 35 were by cable.

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E. Near East

The section reports almost daily on political activities in Iraq as it affects local politics and the over-all plan for Arab Union, and on Jewish terrorism and disturbances in Palestine, and its implications. Our representative from Mosul arrived in Cairo with material for an extensive report on tribes and tribal conditions in northern Iraq. The Executive Officer of SI made a trip to Syria to investigate possibilities of further developments in that area.

Agents have now been asked to report on fiscal conditions, black markets, smuggling, and complaints on pricing and distribution of Lend Lease and other goods of U.S. origin.

During the month a plan was initiated whereby increased field activity may continue on a permanent post war basis if it is so desired.

122 reports were submitted by the Section, but no outside evaluation of them was received.

F. Operational Target Section (Bari)

Photographic interpretation and collation of intelligence on target charts for the Anzio beachhead continues. All of the photo-interpretation and cartographic section work is to be transferred to Bari. Photo mosaics covering airfields and communication centers were completed for the 15th Air Force, and daily lists of target priorities with explanatory analyses are furnished them.

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A first distribution was made of "sat" maps showing Partisan held areas of Yugoslavia. This distribution was made to the 12th and 15th Air Force.

G. Labor Section

The Pericles Mission (to work with EAM) departed, strengthened by a fully trained and equipped Greek speaking radio operator secured at the last moment, and a signal was received from Cyprus.

Our Egyptian labor contact started on his Middle Eastern trip and is expected back about April 1st.

The Bari division has been established, and is now working closely with the Yugoslav Section and Partisan representatives in Bari, fostering cordial relations. They report that Partisans are intensely interested in all labor problems. The present program consists of obtaining Partisan assistance in making contact with resistance groups in bordering countries, an exchange of greetings between Yugoslav and Albanian workers and the interviewing of Partisans with a view to gathering specific labor and economic information.

H. Reports Section

March figures show a substantial increase in reports of OSS origin, 529 as against 483 for February, and 407 for January. The reports for February dealt with intelligence concerning Greece, (76); Albania, (59); Yugoslavia, (50); Germany (39); Austria (32); Palestine (30) and others; 2348 reports were accessioned, processed and forwarded during the month. The office

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has instituted a daily cable service to Algiers and a concerted effort has been made to improve the quality of reports forwarded. The Reports Officer has delivered talks at the school on the basic elements of proper reporting, and is briefing SO representatives on reporting. According to the latest ISLE assessment the general status of OSS intelligence is improved and shows a continued upward trend. British Military Intelligence has a high opinion of OSS information from Albania but in general that from Greece is considered too vague and scrappy although one special line is considered useful. Political information cannot always be classed secret but is of use. Dari reports 384 reports processed and disseminated during March.

III. X-2

As a consequence of the recent defection of two German agents in Istanbul, valuable information was received regarding German espionage in the Middle East as well as the names and descriptions of the main German and Japanese agents in the Middle East. Investigation of about 100 firms used by Nazi agents as cover is being made, and three alleged Axis espionage groups in Cairo are being watched. The suspected Curtiss-Wright Corporation service between Turkey and the United States is also being followed.

The smuggling of diamonds, platinum and other precious metals from Africa to the Argentine has been effectively neutralized as a result of information

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secured by our men.

IV. R&A

R&A maintains close relations with British MEM, attending weekly meetings with their staff, and is now submitting original items to be used in their summaries. The Section is also working for the newly located International Division of USAFIME which will handle relief in occupied areas, preparing reports on the distribution and displacement of population, areas of agricultural surplus, and routes of supply and communications in Greece.

Continuing projects include reports on Greek fishing grounds and ship building, and the briefing of SI and SO teams on topographic, economic, and political conditions in the various Balkan countries.

The Balkan Air Intelligence Summary has been dropped as having outlived its usefulness and the Balkan and Middle East Intelligence Summaries have been discarded in favor of Weekly Greek and Yugoslav and Albanian Summaries which are more detailed and analytical in character.

V. CD

OPERATIONS

VI. SO

A. Yugoslavia

Five liaison officers are now in Yugoslavia attached to Tito's various Corps areas and the last officer to withdraw from Mihailovitch's territory is

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making his way out. Two others who had been with Mihailovitch since the fall returned to Washington to report and it has been recommended that an intelligence mission be returned to Mihailovitch territory. Both Lt. Colonel Seitz and Captain Mansfield, USMCR, have submitted reports. The SC and SI Senior Liaison Officers to Tito also returned to Bari and Cairo to report.

It is thought that there is urgent need for more rank for field officers. The British have a brigadier with Tito and the Russians a large mission headed by a lieutenant general. Our mission to Tito is headed by a major and that to Greece by a captain. We cannot hope to outrank the British, but the field feels that even colonels or majors would give us better standing.

Two more liaison officers are ready to go in, and two new missions with definite demolition objectives are in Bari awaiting transportation, one for the Stajerski region of northern Yugoslavia, the other for the Skopje area.

D. Greece

Six liaison officers aided by seven enlisted men are in Greece attached to various guerrilla groups. They are training the guerrillas in the use of sabotage and weapons and are making D day plans.

Our senior liaison officer who has been on a tour of Europe and London reports that although Greece

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is quiescent following the truce the situation is uneasy, but they hope the truce will last through the expected German withdrawal.

One officer is arranging pinpoints for the reception of the OG's; two are on the Aegean Coast and have established two bases for the evacuation of stranded allied airmen; one is with EDESS guerrillas supervising the construction of an airport; and another is operating a small hospital in the mountains.

Following long preliminary arrangements with the guerrillas a mission has gone into the Evros district to attempt to cut off the supply of vital materials to Germany and are now enroute to their objective. Demolitions and weapons are being prepared to drop to him on signal. Jurisdictional difficulties have arisen with Istanbul over this mission. As the matter now stands, the mission is operated from Cairo but is to be directed from Istanbul.

Two of officers have been in Lybia where they were successful in arranging with local bandits for the safe passage of airt. into Egypt, and for the rescue of stranded aviators. They established a supply line, made a survey of the military situation and living conditions, and submitted a detailed report.

As a result of a new policy of cooperation with the Greek Navy for recruiting and training, ten sailors, all bright, well educated and eager for work, are now at school.

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TOP SECRETC. Albania

The last three of the party of nurses who force landed in Albania were successfully evacuated on 26 March by Captain Lloyd Smith aided by the SI contacts and friendly natives. Captain Smith has returned to Albania where he will specialize in sabotage with the Ballists.

VII. Air Activities

No report. All handled by British.

VIII. MO

MO work at Cairo is steadily increasing. Pamphlets, rumors, black broadcasts, motion picture training films, poison pen letters and some propaganda material for Yugoslav Partisans are being prepared.

Rumors are concocted in weekly committee meetings which include most of the staff and representatives of other branches, then taken to the joint OSS-PWE weekly meeting. One third of combined OSS-PWE output during the past four months has been contributed by MO. MO relies on other branches to disseminate these rumors as it has no men in the field. Its liaison officer, who will lead a photographic mission to Tito, is awaiting transportation in Bari.

A campaign of "poison pen" letters has been started against well known Greek quislings, and a series of weekly plants are being sent to Greek newspapers.

Two distinguished German refugee writers have been recruited for the Cairo staff.

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The Caique Service in the operations in the Aegean has been badly hampered this month due to storms and relations with the Turks.

At the end of the month word was received that the Dublin base will be closed and there is a probability that no further contraband may be shipped along the coast. The British may withdraw all raiding forces from the Aegean. All attempts to obtain fast surface craft from the Navy have been of no avail, but new engines are being installed in several of the boats and plans are being made for the allocation of the new personnel, including a group of underwater swimmers which it is hoped will soon be on its way.

Shipping Operations - Bari

During the week ending 26 February, 11 ships sailed from Monopoli carrying 702.2 tons of cargo, 203.5 for the Partisans and 498.7 for the British and Americans on Vis. From 5-11 March, 19 vessels sailed carrying 767.3 tons for the Partisans, and 364.3 for Vis.

Following a conference with the British on 25 March, the CCG decided to withdraw from Partisan shipping activities, and the operation is to be turned over to an Allied Army Committee. The British have established control over operations to such an extent that CCG liaison is no longer essential, and the increase in expenditures from a few thousand dollars a month to

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\$30,000 has placed the project substantially beyond our means. The SBS Liaison Office at Monopoli has therefore been closed and, although one officer will remain to help with repairs, financial assistance will terminate on 30 April.

X. CG

Besides the 20 officers and 191 enlisted men on Vis at the end of February, 4 more officers and 50 enlisted men arrived at Bari from Haifa. Under the new set-up, all CG's will be under the direction of Colonel Livermore at Algiers.

A combined raiding force of 155 CG's and British commandos made a successful raid on Solta on 19 March. ^{of the were} Seven enemy killed; one German officer, ninety-seven men and six Croatian police were captured. One CG enlisted man (Sgt. Hallitsis) was killed in action and one officer and two enlisted men were wounded. Enemy reprisals included an air raid on Comitza on 22 March and one on Vis 23 March. Five Partisan boats were sunk, ten damaged, a great deal of destruction done, but no CG casualties.

The CG's have established reconnaissance posts on the islands of Solta, Hvar, Lagosta and Drocula and report to American headquarters Vis, by voice radio every few hours.

A Greek Unit embarked by destroyer but returned on receiving a signal that landing would be unsafe.

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For the period from 5 March to 25 March the Cairo Message Center handled 1568 messages.

The Bari Base is now handling twelve agent point to point radio circuits and during the last week and a half in March records showed that more messages came through than during any previous month. The school is continuing its training of twenty operators.

XII. Services

Normal supply operations and routine administrative duties carried on. The Bari Base is installing and equipping an officer's mess. It has the responsibility for the operation, care and maintenance of 35 vehicles.

ISTANBUL OFFICE

Operations in Istanbul have been greatly hampered this month by lack of personnel, largely due to difficulty of obtaining visas and by organizational and jurisdictional difficulties. Due to a tightening of general police by the Turks, no further SO activities may be carried on from Istanbul and the Dublin base will be closed.

Contact with various influential groups in Hungary, Rumania and Bulgaria is being maintained.

About 150 reports were submitted during the month.

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Tabulated data on Projects mentioned or described in March Reports
(This contains all information presently available concerning these projects)

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SPECIAL INTELLIGENCE MISSIONS
IN FLANKING

DESCRIPTION STATUS ACHIEVEMENT DURING MARCH

GEORGIA, ILLINOIS

MISSIONS IN PROGRESS - YUGOSLAVIA

Station A (Calif. Meet)	Yugoslavia	To furnish weather information	Arrived at destination.
Station B (London Meet) (alumn)	Partisan 7th Corps Hdqtrs.	" " "	Arrived at destination.
Station C (Belgrade Meet)	" " "	" " "	Waiting.
Station D (Base Meet)	" " "	" " "	Waiting.

B. MISSIONS IN PROGRESS - YUGOSLAVIA

Headquarters Partisan 7th Corps Hdqtrs. - Belgrade	Partisan 7th Corps Intelligence Hdqtrs. - Belgrade	Intelligence.	Permission being obtained.
Headquarters Partisan 7th Corps Hdqtrs. - Belgrade	"	"	Large and regular volume of reports, - German activities, troop movements & Yugoslav politics.
Partisan Territory	"	"	Reporting regularly on targets, etc.
Yugoslavia	"	"	Sent to field. Radio operator killed landing.

MISSIONS IN PROGRESS - PARTISAN TERRITORY

Team for Partisan Territory	Intelligence	Dispatched to field 25 March.
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ISSUE	GEOGRAPHIC AREA	DESCRIPTION	IN PLANNING STAGE	PROGRESS DURING MARCH
ash				Dispatched to field.
Laple				Scheduled to depart.
medwood				Ready to go 25 March.
Funio		Partisan territory, labor desk project to secure aid of Partisans in neighboring countries.		Cordial relations with Partisans in Bari being fostered.
U. Ghed				
Prayon	Island of Rhodes in the Aegean	reporting on shipping; gathering intelligence from courier officers; setting up a mail route.		X-7 has established safe route to Athens. No further word from operator.
settler	In Greece near Piraeus; also for Athens	agent X-6, with radio, operating in Greece.		Almost daily contact. Value of intelligence high. 2/3 operational, 1/3 intelligence. New operator, ready to depart.
Brigand	Athens			At present inactive. X-3 reported mission failed because of timidity of operator X-11. X-11 out. Rejuvenated mission. X-8 & operator ready to go back.
Gabolems	in Macedonia; in Greece.	Intelligence in Macedonia.		Unsuccessful attempt to return to Salonika - German troops intensive sea & air patrols stand in the way.

Handwritten notes:
 X-11
 X-8
 X-6
 X-7
 X-3
 X-11
 X-8
 X-6
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 X-3

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IN ADDITION

OPERATOR 4-16 WITH

OPERATOR 4-16 WITH

sent warning that large nos. of German troops were about to work for over 2 wks. then came on air - house requisitioned by Germans, having difficulties. all clear signal almost daily, contact. still sent out.

deposited on Myros. Difficulties due to German troops landing, to others. successful negotiations with guerrillas for safe passage. party arranged to objective.

X-5C arrived in Myrna, leaving soon for destination. Left Cairo 16 Mar. Alexandria 20.

Departed with radio operator. Signal received from Cyprus. Getting ready to depart. Getting ready to depart.

Operator 4-16 with radio.

mission under Capt. Daskoy for Western Island, jointly with Turkish Italian intel agency.

labor week project. current intelligence through Greek end.

1 informant, 1 operator.

1 agent, 1 operator

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1. Albania I.G.

Getting ready to depart.
reconnaissance mission
of informant accompanied
by an operator.

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TIRANA
(Albania)

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TIRANA
Central Political
Executive Council
"Dimitroff" Club
Coast, "Barr."

Operator has maintained
wireless connections for
British & Americans despite
German occupation of area.
2 local operators working.

Intelligence in TIRANA X
Intelligence in LIG X

Intelligence in LIG X
(Artisan Area)

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NO
SUBJECTS
INVOLVED
PROGRAM: AFRICA

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DATE: 01/10/01

1 - AFRICA

4-2	Belgian Congo	Intelligence	1 and 1 recruited in field	31 reports & 9 cables. No special achievements but general intelligence submitted good.
Africa 7	British East Africa Madagascar Guinea, Liberia, Colonies of Sierra Leone, Ivory Coast, Senegal.	"	5 and 3 recruited in field	26 reports & 11 cables. Intelligence on diamond smuggling. Proposals made to combat. Improved coverage of Liberia.
Africa 8	Senegal	"	4 and 30 recruited in field	7 cables - 17 reports, of movements of Axis agents suspected of IRE.
Africa 10	Cape Verde Islands	"	2 and 3 recruited in field	1 cable report on disappearance of British mouch courier.
Africa 11	Union of South Africa	"	3 and 3 recruited in field	47 reports & 5 cables of further information on location of clandestine radio station. Net sources acquired.
Africa 12	Portuguese East Africa	"	1 and 15 recruited in field	43 reports and 2 cables. Information on Nazi spies. German consul at Lourenco Marques implicated in diamond smuggling. State Dept. Representative, hostile.
Africa 20	Swaziland	Intelligence	3	11 reports & 0 cables. Little of interest, no head of mission.
Africa 101 (DF)	Cairo (3 stations) 1 in ... (2 in ...)	"		Locating clandestine transmitters.

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SPECIAL OPERATIONS MISSIONS

PROGRESS DURING MARCH

Labels Geographical Description

Loah's Ark	Greece	Interruption lines of communication during German withdrawal. Personnel: All members Allied Military Division. To be reinforced by C's & British commandos.
<u>Liaison Officers:</u>		
SEMIW Station "Mobility"	Northern Greece	Senior American Liaison Officer, Greece.
Station "Truffle"	Northern Greece	Liaison Officer.
ABOUL Station "Doodle"	"	"
BUICK Station "Porta"	Near Aegean	"
Station "Shepstead"	Epirus	"
IOWAY Station "Kimbrace"	Lekana	Liaison Officer

after conclusion truce, has been making tour of Epirus to Macedonia. Met Sarvas.

On reconnaissance tour.

with guerillas.

Facilitating removal allied airmen.

Construction of airport.

In charge of small hospital.

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PROGRESS DURING MARCH

DESCRIPTION

LOCATION

GRUBBE (cont.)

Operating escape route.

Completed mission 13 March.
Arrangements made with guerrillas. Party en way to objective.

to arrange safe passage agents escape route for aviators. Report on conditions.
to interrupt the shipment of vital supplies to certain.

Missio formed. waiting at Bari.
Mission formed.
Reported Bari and Jairo.

YUGOSLAVIA

subruption of communication's target: lines
interruption of communication's target: aircraft factory.

Senior Liaison with Tito

Liaison Officers:

7th Corps Area Senior Liaison with Tito
Asst. to Senior Liaison with Tito

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<u>NAME</u>	<u>GEOGRAPHIC AREA</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PROGRESS DURING MARCH</u>
----- Station "Relator"	Dalmatia 8th Corps area	Liaison Officer	with Guerillas
----- "Flotsa"	7th Corps area		
----- "Rakeoff"	2nd Corps area		arra. in evacuation base for allied airmen.
MARK Station "Heptie"		Liaison officer Mihalovitch capt.	retiring from station.
Kowall	Slavonia	asst. Chief British sub-mission.	enroute to field.
<u>ALLALIA</u>			
	Hills Mission South of Valona	Interruption of com- munications.	nurses evacuated - preparing to return.

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MO PROJECTS

PROGRESS DURING MARCH

DESCRIPTION

NAME

RUMOR PROJECTS

- "The White List" To promote cooperation with allies.
- "Caiques" To discourage caique owners from supplying Germans.
- "Bed of Roses" Troop desertions.
- "B & B" To terrorize Bucharest and Budapest.

BLACK NEWS PROJECTS

- In Greek to Greeks To supply Greek underground newspapers with the actual news, seasoned occasionally with rumors. In 3rd month.
- In German to German news cast to be sent in Morse code. Working on it.
- In Bulgarian, Hungarian and Rumanian. Intended to supply news and rumors to underground. Working.

OFFICE PROJECTS

YUGOSLAVIA

- Java Project To carry into Partisan Headquarters a former Y-S minister.
- Banner Project To establish leading political figure.
- Informant Mission To establish a permanent MO liaison man with Y-S Partisan Headquarters. Representative waiting in Bari.

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PROGRESS DURING MARCH

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YUGOSLAVIA (cont.)

(In preparation)

To discredit Pavlovich through use of secret material, disseminated by underground.

Sending in copies of "fims" "Yank" "U.S.A." "Victory" "Readers Digest" and posters into partisan head-quarters. Moviss soon.

A study of medical requirements of Y-J partisans.

(Complete)

GREECE

Proposed to recruit inside Greece anti-Gerran Ken. to edit underground papers.

(Proposed)

Utilizing outstanding Greek Democrat presently in IO staff, Cairo, to effect surrender of important island Garrison. "Jean."

Preliminary intelligence proposal submitted.

Effecting release from Pirace of most effective force for uniting Greek Mandartes through "Jean"

Altered situation among Guerillas. Plan has been brought up to date and re-submitted.

Introducing "Jean" into Greece to cement relations between guerillas.

(JAO approval)

Visitation of priest to Istanbul as permanent LC man to work through Greek Orthodox channels.

(Pending passport)

To plant stories purporting to come from Greek-American patriots in Greek newspapers in Alexandria.

PROGRESS DURING MARCH

DESCRIPTION

BALKANS

"Cannister Project"	To drop cannisters containing subversive material to existing underground organizations for dissemination.	(Proposed)
"No Name Mission"	MO participation in mission to advance post near Furu Severlon to work into Rumania and Bulgaria.	"No name" solution of "re-sent" British passport difficulties.)
"Gus" Mission	To dispatch tobacco merchant to Myrna as permanent MO man for rumor and pamphlet dissemination.	(in preparation)
Rumanian railway sabotage leaflet	Leaflet to encourage sabotage among railway workers in Rumania, Bulgaria, Hungary.	

DRUGS, AGENTS, GENERAL, OTHER

"Coffin" plan	Printing of "warning" messages to Muslims and Germans on coffin shaped leaflets.	appx. April 1.
"PCW" Newspaper	Printing newspaper purported to be written, edited and printed by German POWs.	(April 15)

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Major Hoffmann, former Far East Theater Officer, has now been appointed Chief of G.C. Lieutenant (j.g.) George J. Demas, who had been his Executive Officer, is now Acting Theater Officer for the Far East.

An allotment of personnel for both areas in the Far East was made during the past month. After an overall allocation was made to cover Communications requirements for both Far East theaters, the remaining personnel was divided evenly between SMC and China. In addition to the basic Far East allotment made in early February, there were added 100 enlisted men and 48 officers. Subsequently 14 additional officers were allotted to Colonel Coughlin's exclusive command.

Because of the distances involved, the Far East Theater has been divided into several separate commands. GCS, China (sometimes called CMI), under the command of Colonel John G. Coughlin, has its headquarters in Chungking. Colonel Coughlin has under his authority all GCS operations in China itself, as well as those carried

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on by Detachment 101 in Burma. He is also Deputy
Director of Saco, Sino-American Cooperative Organization.

SEAC includes Ceylon, most of Burma, Thailand, the Malay Peninsula, Sumatra and the waters and islands of the Bay of Bengal and the Arabian Sea. Its headquarters will henceforth be at Ceylon. This organization is under the command of Lieutenant Colonel Richard P. Heppner.

As a means of identification the units are numbered as follows:

Detachment 101 - Assam
Detachment 202 - Chungking
Detachment 303 - New Delhi
Detachment 404 - Ceylon

C H I N A - A S S A M

The organizations treated under China-Assam during the month of March are three in number:

AA, Assam - Detachment 101
BB, Chungking - Operations under the Saco Agreement
CC, Kunming - AGFTRS

These will be discussed in the order given.

AA, Assam - Detachment 101

I. GENERAL

Detachment 101 has increased its personnel to some 32 officers and 106 enlisted men. During the past month it has been effectively operating toward four objectives: (A) Securing and reporting information concerning Japanese installations, movements of Japanese troops and supplies and other intelligence of value to military operations; (B) Locating air targets, supplying

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designations to the air forces and informing the air forces of bombing results; (C) Rescue of American airmen and crews shot or forced down in Northern Burma; (D) Ambushing and killing Japanese.

The unit is well organized in its operational and intelligence aspects and has esprit de corps. The Detachment has successfully evaded repeated Japanese attempts to locate and destroy its forward groups which have been singled out for special attention, particularly because of their activities in designating ground targets for air attack.

Attached is a summary in chart form of the activities of 101 intelligence and operational groups.

II. SI

The analysis of incoming information has improved with the additional assistance afforded by the assignment of Ensign Brock and S/Sgt. Lyon. Lieutenant Waters has been assigned as liaison officer with General Merrill's Deep Penetration Forces and he has with him a radio set with operator and cryptographer. The intelligence obtained at headquarters is promptly relayed to Lieutenant Waters.

Outstanding intelligence work included: (A) Capture of a Japanese military sergeant (himself on an information-gathering mission); (B) Aiding in the escape from Burma of an Anglo-Burmese man and his wife. (The man had worked in an airplane assembly factory near Rangoon and both have lived in Rangoon and Landslay since the

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fall of Burma); (C) an analysis of the capacity of agents of the various Burmese racial groups for intelligence work, written by Commander Luce.

III. X-2

IV. R & A

An excellent system of contact with New Delhi has been established. 101 supplies New Delhi with a daily informal radio message and a weekly intelligence summary. R & A at Delhi is furnished with all articles and documents captured from the enemy. An R & A man has been attached to the forces commanded formerly by General Wingate.

In the future as incoming personnel makes possible expansion of R & A activities at 101, the unit expects to help in the following ways: Evaluate and disseminate 101 intelligence; check OSS intelligence against 101-OSS reports; pinpoint targets by means of photo interpretation; illustrate OSS intelligence with maps; compile periodic topical reports; systematically interrogate 101 personnel returned from the field; assist in interrogating prisoners; maintain liaison with R & A at Delhi; assist in planning future 101 operations; help 101 training program.

V. CD

OPERATIONS

VI. SO

Lieutenant Colonel Peers has created an operations section to which all the groups will be

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attached. One person will be responsible for each group to see that supplies are delivered and all parts of the plan executed.

In connection with General Merrill's Deep Penetration Forces the Knothead group expects to furnish 331 machins, all expert jungle fighters, to serve as armed guides and to furnish personnel for raiding parties.

See especially a summary of the operations of 101 groups attached.

VII. AIR ACTIVITIES

For the past three months supplies to our agents in the field have averaged 35,000 pounds per month. Enemy air activity has forced us to make all our drops at night. This is a difficult operation since the drop points are surrounded by mountains and high trees.

101 has an assignment of twelve plane loads per month. In actual fact, however, it received 19 during February, and 74 fighters furnished escort. Colonel Peers' report recommended that aircraft be permanently assigned to the unit. In particular he suggests a B-25 (with operation crews, maintenance personnel and gun turrets) to fill emergency needs, with a B-24 to follow.

VIII. LC

Mr. Carleton Scofield of LC visited the camp and made suggestions regarding the assignment of LC personnel to the unit. He also suggested that an LC operations head be assigned for the permanent planning and directing of LC at 101.

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Lieutenant Pier, whose submarine was repeatedly depth charged during the recent landing of two agents near Favo, has submitted a valuable report analyzing the reasons for certain difficulties encountered, (two British agents who were to be taken out of Burma on the same trip were captured and our agents have not yet been contacted). Lieutenant Pier's report will be of extreme value in any future submarine operations.

Ensign Shepard's rescue boat picked up survivors of the crew of a HY that crashed near the mouth of the Ganges.

X. OGOTHER BRANCHESXI. COMMUNICATIONS

Activity during the month of February was considerably higher than in any month previous. New equipment arrived. More is on the way. New stations were added along with new signal plans for stations being prepared for the field. Construction got underway on the new transitter site and more messages were handled than ever before with the same personnel and equipment.

XII. SERVICESA. Supplies - Transportation

A great majority of all supplies and equipment for 101 are ordnance, quartermaster, signal, engineer and medical items obtained from SOG stocks in Calcutta and

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Chabua. Some items such as ammunition, plumbing fixtures, and typewriters are difficult to obtain, and the latest report lists numerous supply needs for the Detachment. Supplies from Calcutta are sent by train in care of a courier every other day. Delivery takes 2½ days. Those from Chabua are brought by truck on a 120-mile round trip.

B. Supplies dropped

During February, 61,380 pounds of supplies and equipment were dropped. This meant a total of 438 containers weighing 140 pounds each and packed with rice, salt, guns, ammunition, canned food, etc.

C. Finance

One hundred thousand dollars a month has been allotted for 101, the chief items of expense being salaries of agents and employees, purchase of supplies for operations, and cash to agents in the field for use in their secret operations. The two major problems of the Finance Section are personnel and office space.

XIII. ADDITIONAL BRANCHES

A. Training

The school at 101 now has an enrollment of 190 students. General morale and health are excellent. The food, sanitation, and orderliness in all camps continue to be of high standard.

The training program has had certain additions: supervised physical training is a part of the daily schedule; obstacle courses have been constructed at six camps, close order drill and practical ambush work

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in the jungle is given; and an MO course, written by Mr. Scofield, has been substituted for a former "propaganda course". A junglecraft course lasting four days and nights in the jungle was given to a group of ATC officers who are to set up a similar course for ATC personnel. Pharmacists rates on detached service from the Navy have greatly relieved the pressure on the medical department. They have helped make a complete survey of our entire area. Each camp is being checked daily by a medical inspector, infectious venereal disease cases are isolated, and a campaign against malaria is planned.

Although the training program at 101 will compare favorably with any conducted anywhere, its value can be increased by additional American personnel.

B. Field Photographic

During the period of this report, members of the Field Photographic Unit operated in and near the headquarters area at Nazira, at airfields near Dinjan, and in three sectors of interior Burma. Harry Martin completed his photographic assignment in Burma, returned to base in charge of two Japanese prisoners. Warrant Officer Bob Rhea finished his Burma assignment, was re-assigned to another important action in that area. Lieutenant Guy Bolte entered Burma to assist in the rescue of wounded survivors of the air action of January 18, 1944, bury the bodies, and photograph the mission.

XIV. Washington Considerations Affecting 101

The chief Washington consideration affecting

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101 recently is that Commander Leete has been dispatched to check 101 finances. The accounts of the finance section at 101 have been periodically audited by specially appointed officers of the Detachment, who have pointed out that additional personnel must be allotted to the section if payments of obligations and proper accounting for those payments are to be made.

BB. Chungking - Operations Under the Saco Agreement

I. GENERAL

apart from the activities under the SACC agreement there is little work at Chungking except an R & A unit engaged in translation of Chinese intelligence.

Activities under the SACC agreement are virtually at a standstill. General Tai Li has frequently been unable to attend meetings on the excuse of sickness or absence from Chungking and virtually no practical assistance has been given to OSS with the exception of some printed material furnished to R & A. An attempt to send a reconnaissance party under the auspices of SACC to survey possibilities for establishing intelligence links by radio between the China coastal areas adjacent to the Formosa Straits and Chungking has not received Tai Li's approval. Correspondence regarding this project has been going on for two months. We continue to train Chinese agents but they cannot be used under present conditions. Mr. Pan of Tai Li's staff was still to deliver the promised flow of intelligence from Chinese sources. His latest

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reported position is that this project is underway and that over 4,000,000 CN has been expended.

Colonel Coughlin has endeavored to remove all possible sources of Chinese complaint including the payment of \$5,000 to Colonel Hsiao and special shipments of vitamin tablets from Calcutta.

II. Thai Group and Thai Plan

Some progress is reported with respect to the Thai group under Colonel Kunjara at Szemao. Captain Nicol Smith reports that a number of Thais have been dispatched across the border without any trouble. They expect radio contact by April 15. Six remaining Thais will be moved to Szemao and put in over the same route at the first opportunity.

The DT (Thailand) plan to use a submarine to exfiltrate Ruth, prominent Thai personage, to head a Thai Government-in-Exile, has been approved by P Division and is being carried on apparently with the full cooperation of SOE. However, if the submarine method proves impracticable or if the DT plan fails for any other reason, an effort will be made to bring Ruth out by the Szemao route.

III. Leynier Mission - French Indo-China

Major Glass has visited the Leynier Mission at Manning and reports favorably on the principals in the group. Colonel Coughlin believes, however, that SACO should be freed of responsibility for these French agents and favors placing them under Colonel Emblanc. General Tai Li and General Patchkoff prefer this arrangement.

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I. Considerable progress has been made in establishing the AGFTRS project (Air Ground Forces Technical and Resources Staff) under General Chennault's sponsorship. This project is based upon General Chennault's existing liaison relationships and favorable connections with Chinese military authority and in particular upon the Chinese air warning net.

II. The forward Echelon of the 14th Air Force has issued a directive to the rear Echelon activating AGFTRS. In substance, this directive may be summarized as follows:

A. The Mission of AGFTRS is basically to secure all information possible on enemy order of battle, both air and ground, enemy shipping movement, industrial activities, documents and publications. It intends to establish a complete radio network so that all reports of an urgent intelligence nature will be received in the quickest possible time and so that the greatest security and efficiency can be obtained. It will train agents for working in the occupied zone of China and then place them there. The unit will therefore serve as coordinator of all field intelligence functions of the 14th Air Force.

B. In addition, it will maintain liaison with Chinese Military Headquarters, handle prisoner

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of war interrogation, arrange for pilot rescue and submit weather reports when conditions permit, provide airfield security and technical intelligence. Finally, when military operations warrant, it will provide for air-ground liaison and morale operations. Request by the 14th Air Force for activation of this provisional unit has been approved.

C. It is proposed that OSS will furnish certain personnel already in the Theater and additional men as soon as they arrive. The 14th Air Force in turn will furnish such officers and men as are already engaged in this work and are desired to continue. A request will also be made of the Theater Commander for additional well qualified personnel.

D. AGFTRS will be activated by an order issued by the Theater Commander and will be assigned to the Commanding General, 14th Air Force for direction and supervision. Copies of all orders affecting the policy of AGFTRS or the movement of its personnel will be forwarded to the OSS Theater Officer and the 14th Air Force.

III. An allotment of 15 tons over the hump for AGFTRS for the month of April has been approved. Headquarters are already set up at Luning and L. cilin. A base station is operating at Kukong, and Captain Clark is well along

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toward locating a base station in Chekiang province. The ultimate intention is to establish a sufficient number of sub-bases from these stations to relay a constant stream of intelligence on Japanese activities, particularly shipping. At Kunming, the work of OSS men, Lockwood and Blakemore, is already bearing fruit.

SEAC

Lieutenant Colonel Heppner visited Washington during the past month and has now returned to his command as SSO for SEAC. While he was in Washington, the allotment already described was provided. A much needed body of personnel has recently arrived in the field and the planning of operations from Ceylon is now underway there.

With the exception of R & A there has been no substantial activity. Colonel Hall has been promoted to the position of OSS Chief Intelligence Officer for CBI Theater. He has sent his "Situation Report No. 1" on Burma, which proved to be a careful exposition of Japanese military preparations and position just prior to the offensive against Laphal.

Lieutenant Kenneth Pier and four men are working with SEAC on loan from ICI and will make a reconnaissance in a southern SEAC region. The mission has been approved by "F" Division.

Activities in Ceylon are being photographed by our field photographic group.

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Activities of Detachment 101 for the month of March, in tabulated form.

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Detachment 101 Groups in Northwestern Burma

Group	Location	Leader	Radio	Officers	Men	Enlisted	Agents	Armed Natives	Remarks
Headhead	Eastern Laukaying	Captain Junli	6	4	4	4	14	331	1. To furnish armed guides and raiding parties to Gen. Merrill. 2. Captured and flew out Jap I.P. Sergeant & 2 native constables. 3. Rescued and flew out 3 U.S. airmen. 4. Continued to act as chief combat intelligence center on ground movements of Japs and as prime target designation for 10th Air Force.
Forward	Laukaying	Commander Luce	6	4	4	4	14	100	1. Destroyed Jap radio station at Saungghka. 2. Latest ambush reported 4 dead Japs & 2 prisoners. 3. Established first medical service for natives.

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Group	Location	Leader	Radio Officers	Enlisted Men	Agents	Armed Natives	Remarks
USCAR	Laukhang	Capt. Milton	1		7	10	1. Rescued 2 U.S. airmen. 2. Now attached to "Forward" for operational directives.
Pat	Quaring	Lt. Juhn	3		11	30	1. Rescued 2 U.S. airmen. 2. Superior intelligence source in Kyit-kyina Kogang area.
Red	Taro	Capt. Ladoux	3		8	20	1. Operations harassed by Jaf raiding parties and un-friendlly villagers.
Brown	Litawgan	Capt. Brown	1		1		1. Continues to work in conjunction with British Levies force.
Hertz	Wt. Hertz	Lt. Barnes	2	1	2	2	1. Continues to serve as air warning station.

NOTE: In addition, the "Mate" and "Demo" and "Tula" groups were at the camp waiting for favorable air transport conditions. The latter group will operate with and under the direction of the airborne troop commander. The "L" "M" and Rex groups have not been heard from and will not be reported in the future. No contact has been made with any of the eight agents put into South Burma and the Bassein area by chute or submarine.

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The attached report concerning Detachment 101 was prepared for the Joint Chiefs of Staff during the month of March.

OSS ACTIVITIES ALONG THE INDO-BURMESE BORDER
(Authority JCS 312/1)

Detachment 101, an OSS detachment along the Indo-Burmese border, was organized in the late summer, 1942, for the purpose of harrassing the enemy through sabotage and subversive operations, strengthening Burmese resistance, and supplying intelligence to Allied forces from behind the Japanese lines.

Headquarters are established at a former tea plantation in the Naga foothills near Jorhat, Assam. This is the principal training base, communication center, and supply point for a force of native Burmese recruited and trained in the field, and directed by a group of approximately 32 officers and 106 enlisted men. From here agents have been sent throughout Burma, some for a distance of 200 miles south along the Burmese coast. The area covered intensively extends from Fort Hertz south to Myitkyina.

One of the principal functions of Detachment 101 is the collection of intelligence. North Burma has been divided into eight districts. In each one an American officer has set up a sub-base, and dispatched from two to ten trained native agents to strategic points within the area. Over twenty groups have been dropped by parachute or infiltrated into enemy territory. A few have not been heard from since they landed, and several, totaling approximately 18 natives, are given up as lost.

However, the majority have successfully established themselves and made contact.

Each field agent radios back his information to his sub-base which keeps in contact with 101. The Detachment maintains continuous watch to receive incoming messages from 27 field stations. The intelligence is then relayed immediately to General Stilwell's headquarters, to the 10th Air Force and the Air Transport Command. It is also made available to OSS, Washington.

In general, the intelligence received relates to the movements of Japanese troops and supplies, including activity along the rivers, roads and rail lines, weather reports, location of airfields and enemy installations, and results of bombing missions. One group, for example, at present has five radio operations in the vicinity of Myitkyina, and throughout the Southern Triangle in Burma. An agent with whom they are in constant touch by radio has access to all Japanese installations in Northern Burma; his recent report of a trip through Mandalay, Maymo and Sagaing contained many items of military importance such as the location of airdromes and storage dumps. Another special OSS lookout post hidden above Myitkyina radios detailed reports on airport traffic and weather conditions there to the 10th Air Force three times daily. Still another has four radio stations situated at various points along an important highway in the area of Mogaung-Maingkwan.

They have furnished regular reports to General Boatner on Japanese activities on his important front. They have also supplied the 10th Air Force with pinpoint locations of Japanese concentrations and bombing results from this information have been excellent. Such target information has proven especially useful because Japanese camouflage in the area has curtailed the effectiveness of aerial reconnaissance.

In addition, groups have captured a number of Japanese soldiers and officers. One of these, a Japanese lieutenant taken from a crashed Zero was sent back for interrogation and furnished valuable information on enemy aircraft and installations.

Besides supplying intelligence material, groups from Detachment 101 have performed important operational work, including supply to intelligence missions in the field, rescuing airmen, demolition work, and organizing resistance among the Burmese.

For the purpose of sustaining our network behind the Japanese lines, continuous flights are being made, and equipment and food parachuted to our agents. One flight of three C-47's was intercepted, and all three shot down with consequent loss of personnel. On the whole, however, the program has been successful, with a total of 84,086 pounds of equipment dropped to groups in enemy territory in a single month.

Considerable success has also been achieved in rescuing airmen. Our group near Myitkyina has recently rescued two combat pilots, and, in all the Detachment has saved 26 airmen who were shot down in enemy territory.

In addition, Detachment 101 men have blown up bridges and railroads, and one group of nine men has succeeded in drawing together a force of 250 natives to collect information and carry on guerrilla warfare behind Japanese lines. Others have come to grips with the Japanese in hand-to-hand combat, two recent encounters resulting in 24 enemy dead.

The operations give promise of further expansion as evidenced by the fact that General Stilwell has recently assigned to Detachment 101 an additional 10 officers, 40 men, and 2,000 rifles, together with machine guns and mortars.

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OSS ACTIVITIES IN THE IBERIAN PENINSULA
 (Authority JCS - Letter to the
 Secretary of State dated 25 November, 1943)

BASED ON MADRID

OSS activities in the Iberian Peninsula are exclusively intelligence. They have been expanded during 1943, with twice as many agents placed in the field under suitable cover as in 1942. Exclusive of sub-agents, there are 44 persons in the area including Spain, Portugal, the Azores and Madeira.

From this region a total of 7,692 pouch and cable reports have been received. Of the last 74 evaluated by British SIC, ninety percent were found of value and of use. Information contained in cable and pouch reports related to significant army concentrations, the location and movement of troops, especially new units appearing in Southern France, the movement of officers of high rank, rocket emplacements and defense installations.

The material received in general covers two areas, Southern France and Spain. Concerning German occupied France, OSS has secured target information with overlays of factories and sketches of bombing objectives, together with details of bombing results achieved. Close-up photographs of coastal guns have been received, illustrating the types of gun emplacements and methods of camouflage. These were commended by representatives of the British Admiralty. In 1943 OSS agents furnished pictures of

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the destruction of the French fleet at Toulon as well as data concerning subsequent rehabilitation of the ships.

Over 1,000 maps of France and the Iberian Peninsula have been supplied, about eighty percent of them to the scale of 1:50,000. Many were originals not known to be in existence in the United States. They cover important cities and towns, special aerial photographs and hydrographic charts, as well as provincial maps and sketches. Among them were numerous official military maps used by the French General Staff.

A variety of material is also being made available concerning Spain. During 1943 reports were furnished containing a complete description of Spanish airfields; others dealt with strategic and military highways in Spain, with photographs of the more important bridges, grades and curves. This data was rated the best and most detailed photographic supported road reports concerning Spain submitted to MID. Similarly documented information is available of the landing beaches on the Spanish Mediterranean coast.

Information has been secured which bears on the observance of neutrality by the Spanish Government. OSs, Madrid has submitted a complete record of all shipments across the Franco-Spanish border, and reports on merchant shipping via Spanish boats to enemy occupied territory. Detailed observations have been kept on Spanish adherence to agreements, particularly in connection with the

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smuggling of wolfram and other strategic materials, on Spain's oil control methods and the clandestine efforts to fuel and service enemy vessels from Spanish territory, and further on Axis couriers using Spanish merchant vessels between Spanish, South American, and American ports. Some of this material has been secured at the Embassy's request, for use in negotiations with the Spanish Government.

CSS in Spain has succeeded in securing documents used in enemy and occupied territories, such as passports, identification cards, travel permits, ration books, driver's licenses and other items from refugees, as well as official papers and documents of German soldiers and officers.

Since early 1944, CSS, Madrid has served as the counter-espionage service for the Embassy, coordinating all CE activities and information of the Military and Naval Attaches and other United States representatives in Spain. CE agents are established as an integral part of the Embassy in Madrid, and the Consulate in Barcelona, with representatives now in training for Bilbao and San Sebastian. A similar service is performed by CSS for the Embassy in Lisbon.

For a period of time CSS, Madrid maintained an evacuation service under the cover of a boat company operating out of Barcelona. During the period of its operation it succeeded in bringing approximately 60 persons out of France to Gibraltar.

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OSS ACTIVITIES IN THE EUROPEAN THEATER

BASED ON SWEDEN
January - April, 1944

(Authority JCS-406)

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OSS activities in Sweden primarily concern intelligence. From the headquarters in Stockholm contact is maintained with Denmark, Norway, Finland, the Baltic States and Northern Germany.

Although the organization has not grown in size since December, there has been improvement in the flow of intelligence and in its quality. One hundred sixty-seven cable and pouch reports were received during the month of March. Bomb damage, traffic from Sweden, and preparations to meet invasion have received special attention recently, with supplemental data on the attitude of satellite countries.

German intelligence has been secured through a variety of sources. Among the force of sub-agents employed are seamen who ship to German ports and members of foreign diplomatic staffs who travel through the Reich. From German and other travelers entering Sweden, reports have been obtained concerning the more distant parts of Germany, including the evaluation of present German morale.

To measure the effects of recent bombing of Germany, agents have penetrated most of the seaports along the Baltic and have brought back eye-witness accounts, sketches, and photographs, indicating the extent of damage and the

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important targets which have not yet been attacked. From these sources there has been some assessment of the degree of recuperation of seaports including Hamburg and Stettin. Reliable persons in close contact with German scientific and technical services have also provided information relating to the development of new German weapons.

Information supplied by OSS concerning traffic out of Sweden to the Reich has assumed special significance recently. Basic data on shipments of ball-bearings produced by SKF has been helpful in documenting the protests made by the State Department against Sweden's continued assistance to Germany.

OSS, Stockholm has reported on German preparations to meet possible invasion against occupied countries. Concerning Denmark several reports have been furnished, including sketches and photographs of fortifications along the Danish coastline. Information has also been received, largely from refugees, on German military preparations in the Eastern Baltic. As the Russians have advanced, the flow of persons, from Estonia particularly, to Finland and Sweden has been accelerated and constitutes an excellent opportunity for interrogation and for sub-agents who operate under cover as refugees. Since most of the intelligence on Norway comes by way of the Norwegian Government in London, and has been inclined to reflect official views, special Norwegian contacts through Sweden have been used to secure a more objective, and generally less encouraging picture of conditions on the Norwegian homefront.

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Conditions in satellite countries are also being reported. Current information is available concerning the negotiations between Finland and Russia, and German and Finnish troop movements in the area have thrown some light on their military and political decisions. Since the occupation of Hungary by the Reich, the files of the Hungarian Embassy in Stockholm have been made available to OSS and proven helpful in interpreting the situation at that time.

In addition to its intelligence functions, OSS now has a counter-espionage representative in Stockholm, and is carrying on special operations through an under-cover mission in Sweden. The functions of the mission are to prepare for Scandinavian operations based on the British Isles, and to maintain contact with underground groups in Norway and Denmark and provide them with supplies.

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OSS ACTIVITIES IN THE EUROPEAN THEATER

BASED ON SWITZERLAND
January - April 1944

(Authority JCS-406)

The collection of intelligence is still the basic function of OSS activities based on Bern.

As a general rule, intelligence is received in Switzerland through travelers, refugees, businessmen and a few trusted anti-Axis agents who have access into Germany. There are four strategically located intelligence reception points in Switzerland, divided into two branches. One branch operates fourteen services with more than 100 voluntary agents and sub-agents. Its activities are concentrated largely on France and deal principally with Maquis resistance groups. A second branch, operating from three specific points in Switzerland, is composed of forty principal agents with an unknown number of sub-agents, and directs its activities primarily into Germany. Two other agents are based in Northern Italy and two inside Germany.

In addition, the State Department since January has established an American Consulate at Lugano, Switzerland and has appointed a representative of OSS to the post of Vice-Consul. The establishment of this Consular post close to the Italian border has greatly accelerated the handling of intelligence gathered in Italy. Through it OSS is securing regular intelligence concerning train movements between Germany and Italy

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and the political situation in the German occupied areas.

Intelligence from Switzerland during the period January through April indicates a strong trend toward battle order material. Whereas, prior to the first of the year information relating to battle order never rose above ten percent during any month, reports of this classification have now reached forty-seven percent of all material received. The material deals with the battle fronts of northern Italy, Germany and some parts of the Balkans, and furnishes details concerning troop movements, designation and location of units, and transportation of material and food, by train and motor truck. Most of it is being rated as "timely and of value" by MID and other branches outside OSS.

Apart from strictly battle order material, the best intelligence recently received related to rocket gun emplacements and characteristics. The positions of rocket concentrations were identified, and descriptions supplied of their method of propulsion, accuracy and firing distance. OSS, Switzerland has in addition located a number of distinguished German scientists within the Reich, indicating where they are and what projects they are working on.

Evidence of the effectiveness of the Swiss intelligence is the despatch with which queries submitted by MID relating to battle order are answered. The normal interval between the date of request and receipt of

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reports averages seven to ten days. Similar treatment is given to questions concerning industry output, locations of ball-bearing plants and submarine bases along the French coast.

Radio telephone conversations from Bern, taking place approximately five nights each week, provide a well-rounded presentation of economic, political and psychological conditions within the Reich, occupied and satellite countries. During the last three months especially there has been direct news on the Hungarian situation as well as details of the physical and moral damage inflicted by air raids in Germany, northern Italy and Balkan capitals. Copies of these reports are forwarded each morning to interested organizations outside OSS.

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OSS ACTIVITIES BASED ON ISTANBUL
 (Authority JCS - Letter to
 Brigadier General Donovan, dated 7 September, 1943)

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The OSS mission in Istanbul is chiefly occupied with intelligence.

In the early stages intelligence was assembled from transients traveling to and from enemy-held countries. Gradually, however, a few agents have been infiltrated into Bulgaria, Roumania, Hungary, Austria and countries to the north at irregular intervals. In collaboration with operations based in Cairo, OSS, Istanbul also has agents in Greece and the Aegean Islands.

A chain of intelligence which extends into Germany has been established with nationals of enemy and satellite countries. Contact for intelligence purposes has been maintained with opposition elements, believed reliable, in occupied countries such as the Popular Front of Hungary, the Austrian Party of Liberation, and the Peasant Party of Roumania. The system for collection of material within Istanbul itself is improving; intelligence there has become so plentiful that the basic difficulty is in providing sufficient trained personnel to screen it.

These sources have furnished intelligence on battle order, industrial production and political developments. Target information on the Balkans has been cabled and pouched to Bari, Italy and has received favorable comments from A-2, of the 15th Air Force. In response to a questionnaire concerning strategic targets, OSS, Istanbul secured

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specific data on enemy aircraft factories and plane dispositions in Central and Southeast Europe.

Documentary intelligence has been obtained in the form of personal papers from refugees leaving enemy-held territory, including passports, identification cards and similar items, for purposes of reproduction and use in Istanbul and in other areas by OSS agents. One of the most significant items recently secured and brought into Turkey with great difficulty was the 1942 Telegram Address Book for Germany, containing information and addresses for all industrial concerns and activities in the Reich.

Courier services have been developed between the satellite countries (as well as Austria and Germany) and Istanbul. In establishing this service, OSS has used diplomatic couriers of satellite countries, as well as the Jewish refugee agency and various liberation and commercial groups in Turkey. Through these couriers and regular travelers to all areas, it is possible to reach and send inquiries to these agents who cannot move from their stations.

Counter-espionage agents have also been at work in Istanbul and have been successful in bringing over three German agents of Abwehr who have supplied details concerning Nazi espionage activities in the Near East. Their defection resulted in disorganization of the German intelligence system in Turkey.

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SHIPMENTS BY COMMUNICATIONS BRANCH

MARCH, 1944

The major items of equipment shipped by the Communications Branch during the month of March were 154 SSTR-1 portable field sets, 305 solid fuel generators, and 1,619 RBZ sets. Total tonnage of all equipment shipped to all theaters was 101 tons, an increase of 28% over the preceding month.

Shipments of SSTR-1 field sets reached a grand total to date of 996, but the monthly shipment for March decreased somewhat in comparison with February. Operations out of NATO have increased, necessitating much larger shipments of these sets there, for that reason 74 of the total 154 went to NATO.

The RBZ sets were shipped for the purpose of dropping to resistance groups prior to the invasion.

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MARCH REPORT

During the month of March a total of 43 sound and still camera crews were used in the production of photographic reports for OSS and other war agencies. A total of 5 motion pictures were completed and 610,000 feet of 35 mm film and 62,300 feet of 16 mm were processed by the Washington Laboratory. The films completed during the month included:

- "Sao Paulo" for the Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs
- "SSTR1 (radio set) - Communications" for OSS
- "Tibet" for OSS at request of Major Tolstoy
- "British Railway Problem" for OSRD
- "MO Report #1 Lt. Col. Whitaker" for OSS

There are at the present time units of the Field Photographic Branch working at Washington, Hollywood, Brazil, London and in the China-Burma-India area.

Washington

With respect to the Washington area, the number of camera crews employed in the metropolitan area were 6 and outside the metropolitan area 6. There were also 13 still camera crews actively engaged during this period. In addition, demonstrations of iconography were conducted for Army, Navy,

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Marine, and Air Force officers. Construction was undertaken of periscopes and iconoscopes.

Hollywood

The Hollywood unit is still at work on the highly secret project for the Joint New Weapons Committee and the Office of Scientific Research and Development. To date a total of 40 pictures in color of secret weapons have been made and sent to Theater Commanders all over the world, which enables them to keep abreast of developments.

Brazil

With respect to the project in Brazil approximately 7500 feet of film were processed by the Washington laboratory. The short on the City of Sao Paulo at War was completed and its reception by the State Department and other interested parties was favorable. It is estimated that the photography of this project will be completed during the month of May, thus releasing the men for further assignments.

London

This is treated exclusively in the reports by theaters.

China

Concerning China, one photographer is accompanying an expeditionary party into Northern China, another is at Chungking, making photostat copies.

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There are a total of 3 enlisted men on that project.

China-Burma-India

There are now 2 naval officers and 9 enlisted men in the China-Burma-India area. The headquarters for this group is at Detachment 101. One Warrant Officer has been dropped by parachute and is making a photographic record of OSS activities behind the lines in Burma. One photographer who had been assigned to Ceylon shipped his film to Washington where a picture is to be made showing OSS activities there.

The plan is to install still laboratories at 101, 202, and 404. To date some 16,000 feet of film has been exposed and received at Washington. It is planned to have 3 short motion pictures completed during April, which may be shown to the officers and men going to the theater to give them some idea of conditions there.

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FOREIGN NATIONALITIES BRANCH MARCH REPORT

1. The work of the Foreign Nationalities Branch includes a variety of field studies of Foreign Nationalities in the United States. Among these are the following:

- a) Foreign Nationality Group Meetings. A total of 49 group meetings were attended during the month of March of which the greatest number dealt with Polish, Austrian, Free Italian, Greek and other Balkan organizations. Reports were prepared upon the meetings attended;
- b) Situation Reports on Foreign Political Activities and Reports from Field Representatives. A total of 101 Situation reports were prepared dealing particularly with middle European countries and other groups now under German hegemony. There were also reports from Field Representatives totaling 201, the largest number of which dealt with German, Yugoslav, Czechoslovak, Italian, Austrian, Polish, French and other groups.
- c) Foreign Language Press Readings. 333 reports were received based upon the reading of foreign language newspapers. Particular attention was devoted to the editorials and comments appearing in the foreign language press concerning the trial and sentence of Puchau, the forthcoming conference

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of the International Labor Organization, the reconstitution of post-war Germany, statements of the Badoglio government, the Russian constitutional changes, criticism of Vatican policy and many others not specifically referred to.

2. There was also a series of reports submitted by the Foreign Nationalities Branch during the month of March. They were distributed within OSS, to DMI, MIS, State, Justice, Censorship, etc.;

B-162, Greek-American Reactions to Churchill's Speech

B-163, American Opinion on the Polish-Russian Issue

B-164, Oscar Halecki, Polish Spokesman

B-166, The Reverend Stanislaus Orlemanski

B-168, Albanian-American Intermission

B-169, 500 Divine Services for Poland

B-170, Lithuanian Nationalism in the United States after Smetona's Death

#178, The Ukrainian-Language Press in the United States

B-171, Yugoslav-American Reactions to Churchill's Speech

B-172, Polish-American Merchants Look to Post-War Trade with Poland

B-173, Churchill's Speech and Ukrainian-American Opinion

B-176, Two Regional Meetings of the American Slav Congress

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B-177, Charles Davila and the Position
of Rumania

B-179, Yugoslav Factionalism Deepens
in the United States

B-165, American Zionists and the
Palestine Resolution

B-161, Finnish-American League for
Democracy Convention

B-167, Don Luigi Surzo and the Christian
Democratic Party in Italy

B-174, Fifth Birthday of L'Unita del
Popolo

B-175, Carpatno-Russian Soundings

S-191, Haslund on Norwegian-American
Affairs

B-178, Current Hungarian Developments
in the United States

#177, France in the United States

#176, the Eastern Orthodox Church in
the United States

S-90, Forthcoming Visit of the Archbishop
of York

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SUMMARY OF R & A BRANCH MARCH REPORT

1. Current Intelligence Staff.

In addition to the normal work of the current intelligence staff, including the JIC Weekly Summary, PW Weekly, the Daily Intelligence Summary, Situation Reports and Weekly Airgrams to the Outposts, one report entitled "Land Routes across the Indo-China Peninsula" was issued during the month.

2. Map Division.

The Map Division accepted requests for 78 maps and completed 137 sets during March. The requests for new maps were broken down as follows:

OSS	46
(divided as follows:)	
JISPB	19
CAD, War Dept. 12	
Others	15
Joint Chiefs of Staff	21
Office of Naval Intelligence	3
War Department	<u>8</u>
Total	78

The volume of work may be illustrated by the following figures:

Requests for Maps	825
Map, Di Basements	14,520 titles, 14,214 sheets

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Requested 7, including 3 new models
 Completed 4, including 3 new models
 In Progress 27, including 19 new models

The new models completed were XIII Western New Guinea, XVII Northern Greece and Southern Albania, XXV Southeast Asia (Part III).

In addition, 54 requests were received from the Special Photography Section for 271 titles and 65,994 prints.

3. Europe-Africa Division

Besides work on civil affairs, particularly guides, the activities of the subdivisions include

Economic

Analysis of German-Russian strength for the Joint Intelligence Committee, in collaboration with the USSR Division, and estimates of requirements for civilian relief in Europe.

Geographic

Five special studies.

Political

Africa Section, 2 reports dealing with phases of British Colonial policy;

Balkan Section, report on the role of the local dynasties in the Balkans, and memorandum entitled "The Importance of Southeast Europe to the German War Effort" for the Joint Intelligence Committee;

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work primarily;

Italian Section, current political and social developments;

Near East Section, report on Communists and Pro-Nazi trends in the Near East;

Scandinavian-Baltic Section, a study consisting of an estimate of probable Finnish reaction to the proposed Russian armistice terms;

Western European Section, work on civil affairs guides.

4. Far East Division

This Division completed 20 reports, including the topographic studies of the Shimushu Islands in the Kuriles, 2 volumes of the implementation study of Sumatra, and the far east section of the Joint Army-Navy Intelligence Study on the Palaus.

5. USSR Division.

In the USSR Division there has been activity in connection with civil affairs work, and work in collaboration with WPB on post-war economic relations between the U.S. and USSR. There was also completed a project entitled "Relative Capabilities on the Eastern Front, as of May 1, 1944".

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6. Latin American Division, Central Information
Division and Interdepartmental Committee.

Though active during March, these are not treated specifically here.

7. Compendations.

Six letters of commendation were received, including a letter from a Navy Lieutenant expressing his gratitude and that of his squadron commander for port and coastal information to be used in Mediterranean operations.

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SCHOOLS AND TRAINING BRANCH
REPORT FOR MARCH

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1. An important development during March was the designation of Schools and Training as a separate branch and the creation of a Training Board headed by Dr. James L. McConaughy.

2. Probably the most outstanding consideration during March has been the decrease in personnel to be trained, which has been occasioned partially by a slow down in procurement and more particularly by the decrease in the number of OG personnel in the schools. The Training Board has approved and forwarded to the Director for final approval recommendations to eliminate some of the camps now in operation. These recommendations are contained below.

3. During the month of March the total number of students training in all Areas was 636 and the number of trainees trained in all Areas was 633. Expenses for the month were \$22,136.59 from unvouchered funds. Instruction progress and use of Areas may be summarized briefly as follows:

Area A.

A-2. 59 students and 160 trainees. Used as a holding area for military personnel. Recommendation: that a

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military basic training course be established in this Area to permit OSS personnel to complete their basic training.

- A-3. 39 students. Formerly SO-MO training here. Closed during middle of month. Recommendation: that it be used for OG's.
- A-4. 41 students. Paramilitary training.
- A-5. In standby condition. Recommendation: that SO training be transferred here from Area D.

Area B.

No new students or trainees. Only the OG Training Staff. Recommendation: that this be closed.

Area C.

102 trainees and 24 students from other branches. Used as the OSS communications school and revised so as to include a greater amount of military and physical training. Recommendation: that communications training be confined to this Area.

Area D.

52 students. Used as finishing school for SO. Recommendation: that this be closed.

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51 students. 80 students added to those from SI and X-2 branches.

Area F.

28 MO students and 258 OG personnel. In addition to using this as a training area for OG's, a new training course was established here for students from the MO branch. Recommendation: that OG training be transferred to A-3; that this be limited to the Ford, Bacon and Davis group and the MO and Eifler groups; and that the military complement be replaced by civilians.

Area M.

25 students and 77 trainees. This Area has been discontinued as an OSS Training Area for communications personnel. Recommendation: that it be closed.

Area RTU-11

68 students. Intelligence finishing course.

Area S

169 students. This is the Assessment School.

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Area WA & WP

50 MU's and 36 OG trainees. During the month of March a Maritime special swimming group training on the West Coast was moved to the Bahamas. In addition to a special swimming group, a number of Maritime officers have been trained at camp WA as well as an Operational Group.

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SUMMARY OF SECURITY BRANCH MARCH REPORT

The number of requests for full security investigations has increased this month over February as has the number of security reports written. However, the Division has been able to reduce the number of pending cases to 573.

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FOR SERVICES BRANCH

Summary Completed Shipments

	THEATER	NUMBER	WEIGHT (pounds)	VOLUME (cu.ft.)
A. Completed shipments by theaters, March 1944				
	European	87	810,913	27,410.0
	Far East	52	758,755	57,311.1
	Middle East	42	27,958	3,001.0
	North Africa	46	106,190	3,225.5
	Miscellaneous	32	61,553	3,975.8
	TOTAL	259	1,765,369	94,923.4
B. Completed shipments by theaters, Jan. & Feb., 1944				
	European	119	724,651	124,090.0
	Far East	77	341,435	24,773.2
	Middle East	53	131,601	5,051.0
	North Africa	50	140,868	6,159.6
	Miscellaneous	21	99,215	5,459.0
	TOTAL	320	1,437,770	165,532.8
C. Completed shipments by theaters, calendar year to date:				
	European	206	1,535,564	151,500.0
	Far East	129	1,100,190	82,084.3
	Middle East	95	159,559	8,052.0
	North Africa	96	247,058	9,385.1
	Miscellaneous	53	160,768	9,434.8
	TOTAL	579	3,203,139	260,456.2
D. Totals, March 1944	All	259	1,765,369	94,923.4
E. Totals, January and February, 1944	All	320	1,437,770	165,532.8
F. Totals, calendar year to date, 1944	All	579	3,203,139	260,456.2

Summary Current Shipments

A. Current Shipments, April 1, 1944				
	European	32		
	Far East	66		
	Middle East	31		
	North Africa	54		
	Miscellaneous	18		
	Total	201		

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B. Current shipments, March 1, 1944

European	67
Far East	63
Middle East	54
North Africa	38
Miscellaneous	<u>30</u>
TOTAL	252

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REPORT ON OSS ACTIVITIES
FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL, 1944.

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Attached are reports concerning OSS personnel, appointments and changes, transportation of personnel overseas, the four theaters of operation: ETO, NATO, METO, and FETO (China-Assac, including Detachment 101, and SEAC), and reports on the following branches: Communications, Field Photographic, Foreign Nationalities, R & A, Security, Schools and Training, and Services. Other branches are not covered separately because it was believed their activities would more properly be treated under the respective theaters in which they operate.

There are no reports this month on the four missions in neutral countries because the amount of material concerning them on a monthly basis is limited. There are no special innovations in the character of reporting this month, except that the policy has been adopted of preparing a summary setting forth the high lights in all theaters and in Washington.

One idea which will be carried out next month is to have a special section on commendations and citations, in order that we may have in one place a reference to all commendatory remarks concerning OSS.

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Reports Officer

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TOTAL STRENGTH REPORT FOR OSS PERSONNEL

Number assigned (exclusive of personnel temporarily attached to OSS) as of: **30 April, 1944** date

TYPE OF PERSONNEL	UNITED STATES					OVERSEAS						OSS GRAND TOTAL
	ON DUTY		TRAINING		TOTAL	ETO	NATO	METO	FETO	OTHER	TOTAL	
	IN MDW	OUT MDW	IN MDW	OUT MDW								
ARMY* OFFICER	229	45	113	50	437	347	208	167	128	0	850	1287
ENL. MEN	887	350	204	200	1641	1344	920	598	261	0	3123	4964
TOTAL	1116	395	317	250	2078	1691	1128	765	389	0	3973	6051
NAVY OFFICER	110	9	37	2	158	52	21	30	27	3	133	291
ENL. MEN	120	82	0	3	205	95	21	37	29	21	203	408
TOTAL	230	91	37	5	363	147	42	67	56	24	336	699
MARINE OFFICER	19	5	0	0	24	15	6	5	3	0	29	53
ENL. MEN	7	23	0	0	30	8	4	3	0	3	18	48
TOTAL	26	28	0	0	54	23	10	8	3	3	47	101
COAST GUARD OFFICER	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
ENL. MEN	0	0	0	35	35	4	0	0	0	0	13	48
TOTAL	0	0	0	35	35	4	0	0	0	0	13	48
TOTAL SERVICE OFFICER	397	59	113	50	619	414	235	202	158	3	1012	1631
ENL. MEN	1014	458	204	235	1911	1451	945	638	290	33	3357	5268
TOTAL	1411	517	317	285	2530	1865	1180	840	448	36	4369	6899
CIVILIAN VOUCHERED SPECIAL	1642	193	0	0	1835	233	4	13	4	3	257	2092
TOTAL	322	40	0	0	362	144	163	123	94	0	510	872
	1964	233	0	0	2197	377	167	136	98	3	767	2964
OSS GRAND TOTAL	3375	750	317	285	4727	2242	1347	976	546	39	5136	9863
*WACS OFFICER			3		3	6	1				7	10
ENLISTED			0		0	62	27				89	89
TOTAL			3		3	68	28				96	99

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PERSONNEL CHANGES AND APPOINTMENTS

FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL 1944

- Mr. Edward Cushing, Chief, Planning and Liaison Staff, MO Branch Order #5, 4/5/44. Relieved of his duties as Area Operations Officer, ETO.
- Major GRANT ADAMS, Area Operations Officer, ETO, relieving Mr. Edward Cushing, MO Branch Order #6, 4/5/44.
- Mr. David Williamson, Area Operations Officer, Mediterranean Theater of Operations, MO Branch Order #7, 4/5/44.
- Mr. Rudolph A. Winnacker, Assistant Chief, Europe-Africa Division, with staff authority for direction of research of the Division, and with authority to act for Division Chief in his absence. R&A Branch Order #75, 4/12/44.
- Lieut. Edgar M. Hoover, Jr., USNR, appointed Assistant Chief, Europe-Africa Division in charge of Economic Subdivision. Mr. Chandler Morse is hereby relieved. R & A Branch, Order No. 75, 4/12/44.
- Resign Carl Schorske appointed Chief of the Current Intelligence Staff, succeeding Major Gleason, R&A Branch, Order #3, Supplement 1, 4/1/44.
- Major Carl O. Hoffman, AUS, is appointed Chief, SO Branch, vice Lt. Colonel William P. Davis, III, F.A., relieved, Order #18, Supplement 4, 4/8/44.
- Major Cornelius Rea Agnew, Jr., Chief, Document Intelligence Division, vice Lt. Comdr. Edward E. Pratt, USNR, relieved, CD Branch Order #5, Issued 12 April 1944.
- Mr. Francis S. Tchitcherine, presently on duty as Asst. Chief, Censorship Division & Asst. Administrative Officer, CD Branch, is appointed Chief, Censorship Division, and Administrative Officer, CD Branch, CD Branch, Order #5 Issued 4/12/44.
- Mr. Harold M. Berman, presently on duty as Asst. Chief, Equipment Division, is appointed Chief, Equipment Division, CD Branch, Order #5, Issued 4/12/44.

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Mr. Harry B. Allinsmith, having reported for duty with this Branch, is appointed Chief, Radio Intelligence Division. CD Branch Order #5, issued 4/12/44.

Major Everett Gleason appointed representative of the OSS on the working staff of the Joint Intelligence Committee. Branch Order #77, issued 4/14/44.

Robert L. Wolff, heretofore Acting Chief of the Balkan Section, Europe-Africa Division, is appointed Chief of that Section, R&A Branch Order #78, issued 4/28, 44.

C. S. Williams is hereby relieved of his duties as Deputy Chief, SO; Branch Order #51, Supplement 24, SO Chief, issued 4/13/44.

William E. Duggan, appointed Deputy Chief, SO, Branch Order #51, Supplement 25, [REDACTED], issued 4/13/44.

Lt. (jg) George Demas, USNR appointed Acting Far East Theater Officer, vice Major Carl O. Hoffman, AUS, relieved, Order #17, Supplement 1, issued 4/11/44.

Major Philip L. Gore, appointed OSS Liaison Officer to the various intelligence echelons of the War Dept. and the Army. Reference Office Order No. 12, dated 28 March 1944, para. 5., Office Order Supplement 1, issued 4/26/44.

R.M.I. Goudard appointed Deputy Chief of the Special Funds Branch, Branch Order #1, issued 28 April 1944.

Committee established to investigate and make recommendations concerning handling of pouch material, both incoming and outgoing. Members of the committee shall be: Col. Charles S. Vanderblue, Chairman.
A representative of the Deputy Director-Intelligence;
A representative of the Deputy Dir - Strategic Services Operations;

OSS Theater Officer; Mrs. Margaret Griggs, Mr. Weston Howland; Major Duncan Lee. Special Order #60, issued 4/28/44.

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The following number of persons were moved to the
port of embarkation:

<u>Period</u>	<u>ETO</u>	<u>MARQ</u>	<u>METO</u>	<u>PERO</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
April 3 to 9	10	3	6	37	56
April 10 to 16	10	12	7	3	32
April 17 to 23	3	15	2	23	43
April 24 to 30	<u>43</u>	<u>16</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>60</u>
TOTAL	66	46	16	63	191

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**SUMMARY OF PROGRESS OF OSS ACTIVITIES
DURING APRIL 1944**

A reorganization was effected during April in the European Theater. Control of OSS operational activities was shifted to Supreme Headquarters Allied Expeditionary Forces (SHAEP); supply and administrative matters remain under the direction of the European Theater of Operations, U. S. Army (ETOUSA). Completion of the reorganization of the North Africa and Middle East Theater Commands under the new Mediterranean Theater Command was carried out.

A few of the highlights of OSS activities during the month are indicated in the following summary:

a. ETO In the European Theater plans were moving toward a climax in most pre-D-day programs. The efficacy of OSS operations in this theater was tested on April 24-26 when joint OSS field exercises were conducted. X-2 and SI field staffs participated fully and SO field staffs acted as control. Three American controlled teams were dropped in France, the first operation undertaken solely for intelligence purposes by SI. Favorable comments from General Bissell (A.C. of S, G-2) were received for the operations of X-2, and attachment of Special Counter Intelligence Units (SCI) to the First Army and the First Army Group is scheduled for May. MO

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will, it is anticipated, shortly play an equal part with the British in Black operations. R & A Enemy Objectives Unit has commenced participating in an investigation to follow after the invasion - with respect to the effectiveness of Allied air bombing. Under SO air activities the number of successful sorties has constantly increased with 28 out of 49 completed during April. Field Photographic is now actively engaged in the project to photograph the United Nations Navy effort, particularly the amphibious operation of the invasion.

b. NATO In the North African Theater the value and number of SI teams in Italy and Southern France continues to expand. There are 20 teams in Italy and the neighboring islands. Ten are operating in Southern France, one of which G-2 has rated as the second best source of O/B information. The Medusa network operating out of Madrid is believed to be furnishing from 50-65% of original American intelligence concerning Southern France. A lack of specialized aircraft and bad weather has hampered air operations which has in turn cut down on SO activities. No SO teams are operating in Southern France, but six operations are underway in Italy. MU activities are tied up by lack of equipment and personnel. Concerning R & A the development of facilities in Italy for prisoner of

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war interrogation has resulted in a number of vital reports and a flow of new information. MO has made rapid strides in its expanded program: eight 15-20 pound MO kits were included in containers dropped to resistance groups in Northern Italy and 800,000 leaflets directed at the Germans have been distributed in that area. OG has been quiet but was recently congratulated by Major General Patch on its training program. For Communications a fifth DF station has been established at Bari.

c. MEFO. In the Middle East Theater, a recommendation has been made to establish an American mission to the Partisans independent of the British, and the decision against sending an OSS mission to Mihailovitch has been reached. In Yugoslavia we now have 3 weather stations and a liaison group of 5 officers and 3 enlisted men. In Greece there are 9 SI teams on post or en route together with 7 liaison officers engaged in such miscellaneous work as operating a hospital, airport and escape route, and negotiating between hostile groups. The Greek courier service is working efficiently, having moved 10 more agents during April despite a considerable lack of cooperation by Turkey. Our shipping operation out of Bari has practically been closed out. R & A is now working with a group of agencies including UNRRA, OWI, MEW, and others.

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The Istanbul office has been operating under increasingly difficult conditions. The need for a clearer definition of jurisdiction with Cairo and an unsettled personnel situation has complicated the problems in Istanbul. Our reporting on Central and South Africa and especially in the Near East continues to be well received by MID.

d. FETO In the Far East, Detachment 101 in Nazira, Assam has been ordered by General Stilwell to increase its guerrilla forces to 4,000. At present 2,000 armed natives are led by OSS officers. By furnishing intelligence information and native guides this OSS unit has proven indispensable to Brigadier General Merrill (of Stilwell's army). Target information, bombing evaluation and rescue of downed airmen have been provided by these forces. Plans are being formulated for expanding MO activity. Operations under the SACO agreement have not progressed. Air Ground Forces Resources and Technical Staff (AGFRTS) has been approved and authorized at a strength of 35 officers and 65 enlisted men, thus providing OSS an opportunity to distribute information secured through the 14th Air Force to SEAC. The SEAC theater is at present in the process of reassembly and planning at Ceylon.

e. WASHINGTON R & A, Foreign Nationalities, Schools and Training, and the other branches having an independent

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operation in Washington report a heavy volume of work, but nothing worthy of special note here. Their achievements are summarized in the latter part of this review. An attempt was made for the first time to set forth significant parts of the monthly cargo status report, furnished by Services.

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EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS**REPORT****APRIL, 1944****I. GENERAL**

A. OSS ETO received a commendation from the Supreme Allied Commander in a reply to an inquiry from the House Appropriations Committee as to the value of OSS activities in support of military plans. Likewise, Major General Bissell expressed himself as greatly impressed by his conferences with OSS personnel and visits to Operations Headquarters. The expansion of Field Staffs to be attached to First U.S. Army Group (FUSAG), 1st and 3rd Army continued. The actual assignment of one SI staff to the 1st Army went into effect during April. In addition, there were on hand 34 officers and men for the 1st Army Group and 14 for the 1st Army.

B. On April 11, 1944, by command of General Eisenhower, operational control of OSS was shifted from European Theater of Operations, U.S. Army, (ETOUSA) to Supreme Headquarters, Allied Expeditionary Forces, (SHAEF). By the same order, ETOUSA retained control of supply and administrative matters. Actual implementation of this order was achieved in conference with SHAEF which clearly defined OSS operational functions under SHAEF and OSS administrative functions under ETOUSA.

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C. It now appears that with respect to SI and X-2, OSS will deal with Assistant Chief of Staff G-2; with respect to SO and MA, with Assistant Chief of Staff G-3; and with respect to MO, with the head of the Psychological Warfare Division. In addition, there will be contact with G-5 (Civil Affairs) through R & A.

Relationship between SO and G-3 has for some time been well organized since SOE/SO joint headquarters have continuously operated under the supervision of G-3, Chief of Staff Supreme Allied Command (COSSAC) and G-3 SHAEP.

D. For the purpose of achieving coordination among the branches, an intelligence committee has been set up under the chairmanship of Colonel Forgan and a staff operational committee under the chairmanship of Commander Armour. The latter handles operation matters and matters concerning staff units going into the field. Consideration of high policy which require the approval of the Commanding Officer come before an executive committee made up of Colonels Bruce, Forgan and Giblin and Commander Armour.

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E. On April 24-26 a joint OSS field exercise was conducted - exercise "Larry". X-2 and SI field staffs participated fully and SO field staffs acted as control at Freehold. SI and X-2 operations sections functioned in London with SO personnel serving as control. This resulted in the preparation of standard operating procedures for future operations.

INTELLIGENCE

II. SI Total personnel: 261, of which 67 are French enlisted men and 64 are civilians.

A. Sussex Plan - (This plan is designed to provide an intelligence service in support of D-day operations by dropping agents over specified areas who will live off the land and carry out their specific missions.)

On April 9, two American teams and one British team were dropped in France in a parachuting operation. The following day, April 10, two British teams and one American team were dropped, together with containers of their own supplies and those of the men deposited on the previous day. Thus out of a total of 13 Sussex agents deposited in April, three American-controlled Sussex teams were dropped successfully in France marking the first operation solely for intelligence purposes undertaken by SI. French underground representatives

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provided the same reception committee for all teams and British transport was used on both operations.

Two difficulties appear in the Sussex operations:

- (1) The 13 Sussex agents dispatched during April had not received their radio sets by the end of the month;
- (2) The Sussex program was behind schedule mainly because of initial failures to contact the Pathfinder Mission dispatched to France on the night of February 8. Also difficulty was experienced in obtaining confirmation of pinpoints suggested by the Pathfinders.

At the end of the month, 113 Sussex field agents and W/T operators were in training or had completed their course at Area "A" (in England). Only 7 remained to be enrolled to complete the quota.

B. Other Special Plans

- 1. Proust Plan. - (This plan provides for a reserve pool of French agents to assist field

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intelligence in France after D-day). Fifty agents had been the original number fixed upon to implement the plan. However, by the end of April, there were 65 Proust students at Area "B". The figure of 65 stands currently as the full complement. Eighteen of these 65 students were furnished by BCRA (French Intelligence) during the latter part of the month.

The month's activities generally were characterized by high morale and excellent performance. The work done by the W/T operators was particularly good, and it was estimated that at least half of the men would be ready to meet the target date of approximately mid-June.

2. Labor Section

a. Mission Varlin. (A mission designed to send men with labor contacts into France to work with resistance groups). In February, two agents were landed in France to establish labor contacts; one of these men - the W/T operator - died from an injury sustained after a safe landing had been reported. A replacement for this man was recruited and went into training. On April 15 his life in France course was completed. Subsequent to his

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landing in France he will be in constant contact with Station Victor. May moon is his target date.

An additional message was received in April from the surviving agent. The message was merely a report of additional contacts made in organizational work, including particularly the established contact with the leaders of the Confederation General du Travail (C.G.T.). There was no intelligence data included in the report.

Overall Varlin plans were implemented further during April by established contact with Col. Waris of the French Bureau for Prisoners and Deportees. Instructions were sent out for the recruitment of one or two reliable transport workers to be placed in each port, railroad junction or road confluence of strategic importance. These men were scheduled to go into hiding until after D-day, and it will be one of the tasks of the Labor Desk field representative to contact them at the appropriate moment.

b. Faust B Plan. (This plan provides for the penetration of men with labor backgrounds into Germany). Ten more recruits arrived at the end of the month in addition to the 12 men recruited in March.

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Preliminary training of Faust B personnel is obtained in the U.S. Advanced training to emphasize contemporary conditions in Germany and France will be obtained in the theater. The opening of this advanced program was delayed because of (1) delay in recruitment of teaching personnel, and (2) difficulties with the physical establishment of Milwaukee - the training area.

Considerable difficulty was experienced in the establishment of effective liaison with underground labor circles within the Reich. This may have serious repercussions in terms of the ultimate objectives of Faust B. In this connection it might be worth noting that serious consideration was being given to the integration of Faust B with Varlin for the penetration of Germany.

c. Other labor missions.

1. Czech Trade Union Mission. The Labor Desk received a promise of the submission of six names of available Czech Trade Unionists in England who, if found suitable, could be used in a Czech Trade Union Mission.

2. Dutch Mission. A Dutch contact was in process of development. There was some hope of his being able to procure two trade union bodies for a Dutch mission.

3. P-K Mission. In one sense, this could be viewed as a part of Faust B, but is treated separately in the reports without being further explained.

C. Strategic Intelligence

A conference was held with Chandler Morse, head of R & A, London, and agreement was reached for collaboration on the preparation of specific intelligence objectives, the assembling of operational intelligence, and cover possibilities in the Western European Area.

The Poles ceased temporarily to deliver reports for dispatch to Washington or Algiers. This was an immediate result of the new censorship regulations imposed on all governments other than the British, Soviet and U.S. However, regular contact with established intelligence sources continued generally and proved fruitful.

D. Reports

Consultations have been held with the head of the Belgian Surete who suggested that an SI Liaison officer be appointed to go along with the Belgians when they moved back on the continent. In preparation for handling Sussex intelligence after D-Day, the Reports Division participated in certain aspects of Exercise "Larry". A program was then worked out by the Division outlining its conception of how coordination will be effected with the Operations Section of the Division of Field Intelligence in the handling of Sussex material.

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The Reports Division began to service G-2, SHAEF, G-2, FUSAG, and G-2 First U.S. Army. The specialized intelligence requirements of each of these agencies were pretty definitely determined as a result of visits made by certain of the Division's personnel to the G-2's in question.

III. X-2 Total personnel: 85, of which 21 are civilians.

On April 15, Major General Bissell, AC of S, G-2 concluded his inspection of the Branch operation and pronounced it "very satisfactory".

Negotiations initiated during February and March to attach special counter-intelligence (SCI) personnel to the 9th Air Force have been terminated.

X-2 relations with its British opposite number continued to be most satisfactory. The work of the SCI unit assigned to Signal Intelligence Units to do D/F work was rated excellent by both U.S. and British officers. Actual implementation of the plan to attach SCI units to the First Army, and FUSAG, did not take place. However, target dates were set in both cases. The SCI-1st Army unit (consisting of 3 officers and 7 men) was activated on April 24, and alerted for movement to First Army on April 29, movement to take place on or about May 3; attachment of the SCI-FUSAG unit, consisting of 4 officers and 11 men, was scheduled for mid-May.

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The SCI-3d Army Unit, consisting of 3 officers and 7 men, is already on hand. The problem of SCI personnel remains acute, because of a lack of qualified persons and the necessary two-month training period. Immediate plans called for a Communication Zone SCI Unit containing 7 officers and 17 EM, and for the establishment of 2 and possibly 3 more Army-sized units. In addition, a general shortage of field communications facilities was anticipated and there was little hope that the Communications allotment would cover expanding SCI operations.

There are continuing signs that SHAEF and other military headquarters in the Theater are developing a growing appreciation of SCI Units. X-2 has been asked to supply additional officers for special double agent work at FUSAG as well as supply an SCI team for headquarters' communication zone referred to above.

X-2 continued to process information received from agents in the field at the appropriate desks set up in London. In general, progress was satisfactory.

The Iberian Desk has contributed some information resulting in diplomatic restrictions on the German Intelligence Service by Spanish, Moroccan, and Portuguese authorities and the Italian Desk contributed to the apprehension of certain enemy intelligence agents.

The Supply Situation was in hand. No particular difficulty was anticipated for 1944 and 1945 since a supply requirement estimate was submitted and all future

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requirements will be drawn against this established total. In effect, there should be ideally no supply requirements that will not be met.

IV. R & A Total personnel: 123, of which 71 are civilians.

A. In an analysis of R & A's activities during April, 3 items deserve mention: 1) Relations between R & A and OWI were working smoothly, 2) Arrangements were completed for R & A's European Section, assisted by the Geographic Division, to handle 3 of the 7 lectures to be given to CA officers working on France at the CA Training Center at Shrivenham, 3) the appointment of an R & A man as Chairman of the Sub-Committee to reach an agreement on basic food data for Western Europe, pending the appointment of an UNRRA representative. There was also a distinct possibility that the same man might be appointed vice-chairman of the Working Group on population.

B. Although there were no basic organizational changes during April, it became increasingly evident that a larger ratio of operational to research personnel would be required. It was clearly evident that such operational personnel was needed to handle R & A liaison with the various groups with which it did business, SHAEF G-5 Policy Planning (Wydeving), Civil Affairs Committee, London, (CCAC/L), European Advisory Committee (EAC), Ministry of Economic Affairs (MEA, in the Embassy), SI, X-2, P, W Interrogators and OSS Planners (Continental Operations).

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Post D-day operations will demand additional operational personnel although it is patently impossible currently to present any sort of functional break-down.

C. Additional personnel requirements were particularly urgent for economics work because of the distinct possibility that the bulk of the Enemy Objectives Unit (EOU) staff might be lost to the Army Air Forces to assist in the official investigation of the Bomber offensive, after the invasion. This investigation of the effects of Allied bombing of the Reich was initiated by the Army Air Forces and is reputed to be backed in the highest quarters. Clearly, such a demand would have the highest priority and therefore R & A should be prepared to make an all-out commitment although in effect a complete revision of long-run plans for utilization of the economic staff would inevitably result. This would be inevitable because the initial total personnel estimate was based on a limited concept of the Staff's post D-day function - namely CA work. In addition, R & A addressed itself to the problem of how best to service MO since MO planning was articulated during the month.

D. A new line developed in the field of Civil Affairs relating to planning the military occupation of Austria. AFHQ, Algiers was given responsibility for the Austrian occupation and AFHQ MI. ion attached to SHAEF was ordered to begin operations. R & A was approached in this connection

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and rendered some informal assistance plus that handled through the established civil affairs channels. It was impossible to predict just how personnel needs would shape up in R & A.

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OPERATIONS

VI. SO Total personnel: 823, of which 11 are French officers and 24 are civilians.

Jedburgh Plan - (This plan involves the introduction of teams of officers with radio operators to work with French resistance groups on D-day). On April 8 formal Jedburgh training ceased. On the same day, the bulk of Jedburgh instructors ceased their instructional duties and became members of operational teams. Seven teams were transferred from the European to the North African Theater.

At the end of April, of 46 Jedburgh officers required, 41 were on hand plus two who were recruited but had not joined; of 44 EM required, 40 were on hand. Forty-one officers and 40 EM were in training but none of the Jedburgh personnel officers or EM had completed training.

In addition to the Jedburgh officers, there are on hand for the field staff 30 officers and 58 men and for Headquarters 92 officers and 46 men. The largest number of additional personnel needed is in Headquarters (OSS and

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SO/SOE) to fulfill total requirements
95 men.

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On April 5, 1944, the War Diary Section, SO Branch, London, was established. Two target dates were agreed upon - June 1 for the complete final draft of the first quarter, July 1 for the complete final draft of the second quarter.

VII. AIR ACTIVITIES

Since the beginning of its operational history Air Operations had successfully completed 133 sorties of a total of 262 flown or a little better than 50%. 49 of the 262 were flown during the April moon period. 28 of that 49 were successfully completed.

There was a possibility that at least 1 squadron of B-17's might be added in view of a decision that B-17's would function as effectively as B-24's under similar operational conditions. There were 30 B-24's on hand at Station 179 plus 4 B-24 D's undergoing modifications at the Maintenance Depot. In addition, 1 C-47 had been assigned for special operations.

The personnel requirements for Air Activities remained at 24 officers and 325 EM; and at the end of April 25 officers and 318 men were on hand. This figure includes personnel at Air Operations Headquarters in London and the packing station at Holme.

VIII. MO Total personnel: 85, of which 49 are civilians.

All MO activity was under the supervision of PWB, SHAEF. However, MO personnel was being allocated to various PWB units and certain of the persons

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under the jurisdiction of MO Headquarters, OSS, ETO. By the end of April the largest number of MO personnel was allocated to Black operations carried out in conjunction with PWE. These two operate independently of PWB except for general directives, but their coordination is close in choosing the media to reach the German armed forces.

At PWB-SHAEF, Oechner was operating as one of the 4 civilian deputies to the Commanding Officer. He will probably have charge of setting up and operating the Intelligence Appreciation Section and will share the responsibility for directives dealing with Black operations. Lt. Col. Whittaker was functioning as officer in charge of liaison between PWB-SHAEF and the field armies. Rae Smith is acting as head of the Creative Planning Section of PWB, the body charged with producing and shaping up new ideas for psychological warfare.

In the last week of April the T/O assigned to the MO Branch by the combat section of PWB was filled and the men began training to fill slots allocated to them on the field intelligence staff of the American armies. MO personnel will constitute the bulk of these intelligence staffs.

MO took full share of responsibility for sibs and for the daily gray paper distributed by air over the German troops. Special written black publications of 2 types were initiated 1) to maintain liaison with the French resistance groups (RG's) should their present communications be upset and 2) a regular weekly publication

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of a definitely subversive character for distribution to German troops.

In connection with future operations, it was anticipated that MO would shortly play an equal part with the British in every Black operation. A start was made on plans for the use of a substantial number of agents of whom the majority would be recruited after the establishment of the continental bridgehead.

IX. ~~NA~~ Total personnel: 18.

A. ~~NA~~ Operations - ~~Maritime Group~~. The original target date of April 17 for arrival in the theater of 3 PTs loaned to MU was not met. However, on April 24 they did arrive at Dartmouth, Devon - the operational and maintenance base. The boats were to function, pursuant to the terms of the SAC's approval, in cooperation with DDODI (Deputy Director Operations Division Irregular) of the British Admiralty, as a 2-way cross-channel clandestine ferry manned by a crew complement of 9 officers and 36 enlisted men, all of whom had not yet arrived. The theater training was viewed in the nature of a refresher since intensive operational training at Nassau had terminated on April 15. At the same time, it was planned, subsequent to the approval of the Commanding Officer, NAAB, that Greenway House would be available to the Squadron as a squadron boat-base within a month's time.

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B. "B" Operations - I Unit. At the beginning of April a major B ("barrage") operation was planned and on April 13 SHAEF ordered a definite mission for swimmers in ETO. On April 28, 8 swimmers plus Lt. Wadley, the leader, arrived in the theater. After a consultation with Wadley in the theater a decision was reached as to the final form of operational training for the unit. Training for swimmers should emphasize both surface and underwater swimming with a minimum of body building & Marine Corps training. At the same time, additional training in demolitions and navigation was indicated. This latter would consist of being able to take a fix on the target from the greatest possible distance and subsequently arrive at the target by underwater swimming.

X. OGs

A. French OGs: 2 OGs were expected on or about May 15. A proposal was submitted to house these groups in a tented camp at the Jedburgh training area.

B. Norwegian OGs: On April 8, the first group of 25 OGs finished parachute training satisfactorily. On April 15 the second group of 25 OGs completed training. In the meantime, a paper was prepared for submission to SHAEF requesting direction on the post D-day employment of the OGs.

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C. Polish OGs: This group was in the process of parachute training during the first part of April. Polish OGs were limited in their operations by SHAEF: they may be dispatched only when it is certain that the Army would overrun them within 72 hours. A paper addressed to SHAEF, protesting this limitation, was being prepared.

D. Training: By the end of April, 3 groups of OGs had completed training, and completed training for the last group was scheduled for the first week in May.

XI. COMMUNICATIONS Total personnel: 452, of which 13 are civilians.

A. Station "Charles". (for SC including Jedburgh). Schedules with the Mobile Units in the field were maintained, and work was particularly intense due to the combined handling of 9 active Norwegian circuits as well as the SO/SI field detachments and Jedburghs. It was necessary to employ British personnel to handle this additional load; 50 British high speed W/T operators and 60 code clerks were procured.

B. Station "Victor". (for SI and X-2, including Sussex). Although the antennas were not yet fully constructed, progress was made. In the meantime, temporary antennas were used. Schedules were maintained constantly with the Signal Detachment in the field.

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C. Personnel. Of the total 464 personnel required, 442 were on hand. Ten had been recruited but not joined with 11 outstanding to fill the complement. Both Sussex and Jedburgh reported that their requirements for agents' sets were filled. The units assigned to the armies were equipped with all necessary supplies and rolling stock.

XII. SERVICES Total personnel: 394, of which 63 are civilians.

Standard procedures set up for requisitioning, delivery and storage of all supplies were generally adhered to. These procedures were characterized by increasing cooperation between Washington and the theater on the overall cargo problem. At the end of the month, Col. Giblin contemplated a trip to Washington to implement further this increasing cooperation. The target date for his trip was approximately May 5.

XIII. OTHER BRANCHES

A. Field Photographic. Total personnel: 39, of which 7 are civilians.

There was an increasing need for Field Photographic personnel for ETO, because this Branch was slated to take charge of the United Nations' Navy effort and everything connected with the amphibious operation in the invasion. On April 25 location work on the Coastal

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Command script was completed. The tentative decision initially had been to complete filming in the theater. However, that decision was reversed for reasons of security and the like, and sketches and diagrams prepared in the theater were to be forwarded to Washington. Work on the Invasion Film began with the arrival of Commander Ford.

Although Services Branch had taken over the work of the Photostat Section, Field Photographic continued in all other reproduction functions including the Still Laboratory, Small Camera Training Program, Identification Section, etc.

B. Director's Office. Total personnel: 18, of which 8 are civilians.

C. R. & D. Total personnel: 5, of which 1 is a civilian.

D. Security. Total personnel: 12, of which 4 are civilians.

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MEDITERRANEAN THEATER
MIDDLE EAST CENTRAL AFRICA REPORT

April, 1944

I. GENERAL

A. In order to carry out the provisions of the new set-up the offices in the field were this month adjusting their T/O's and transferring personnel and authority. As reported last month the headquarters for the Mediterranean Theater will be at Algiers with branch offices at Caserta and Cairo. Caserta will have three advance bases, Bari, Corsica and the 5th Army, and Cairo will control the Istanbul Mission and Accra.

It has been pointed out, however, that although Istanbul will be considered a forward base of Cairo, the lines of authority will run from the Chief at Cairo to the Chief at Istanbul, and Cairo desk heads will not have jurisdiction over the corresponding desks at Istanbul. Cairo has also been given direct control of Western Thrace.

The Istanbul office has been passing through a difficult and disturbing period. This has been due to an unsettled personnel situation, and the need for a clearer definition of jurisdiction with Cairo, to a lack of cooperation on the part of the Ambassador and to a general tightening of Turkish policy. Plans have been made to strengthen the personnel, however, and at the end of the month Turkish policy seemed to be relaxing.

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B. Due to the reorganization of the theaters a new Balkans Affairs Committee and a Balkan Operations sub-committee have been organized. The latter will be responsible for Special Operations, SO, MU and OG, in, and based on Greece, Crete, the Greek islands of the Aegean, the Dodecanese, Bulgaria, Hungary, Rumania and Turkey. OSS is represented on this sub-committee as is U. S. Army Forces in the Middle East, (USAMF); Force 133; Army Air Forces, (AAF); Psychological Warfare Executive-British (PWE); Joint Intelligence Committee (JIC); Ministry of Economic Warfare (MEW); Navy; Greek and Yugoslav embassies. The Committee is headed by the Chief of Staff, General Headquarters, Mediterranean Expeditionary Forces (CEMEX) and a Brigadier.

INTELLIGENCEII. SI

For details of the progress of specific SI Missions see attached chart.

A. Yugoslavia - Personnel: 37

A steady flow of intelligence is being received from our agents in Yugoslavia, 125 reports having been received during the month.

The question of policy in regard to an independent OSS mission in Yugoslavia has been under consideration all month and this has caused some delay in operations in the field. Fourteen people are ready and waiting in Bari to go in as soon as the matter is decided. Major Weil, Senior SI Liaison with the Partisans, returned to Washington to report, recommending that the American mission be made entirely

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independent of the British. It has been ~~officially decided~~ that there will be no OSS mission to Mihailovitch. This action was taken on the basis of the request from the British (in fact, a cable from the Prime Minister to the President).

Three weather stations are now in the field, each team consisting of 1 officer or warrant officer; 1 enlisted observer and 1 radio operator. They are equipped for surface observation and for winds aloft. Two teams are doing excellent work, the third has been unable to make contact due to radio failure. Two additional teams are on the alert and expect to move into the field in the near future depending on the military situation and weather conditions. In addition, there is enough personnel available to increase the stations to eight.

B. Greece - Personnel: 95

All Greek missions have been in contact with Cairo during the month. Two missions in addition to radio communications, have sent large quantities of mail, one pouch being received from Athens, the other from Salonika. The volume of intelligence is increasing rapidly and seems to be of good quality.

Nine teams are at their posts or en route and five are being organized to leave shortly, one of which is being formed in conjunction with Italian intelligence, the Italians to supply the personnel and the OSS the caique. Two captains and a second lieutenant have been attached to the Greek desk. The plan is to send them into protected territory, to the various ZERVAS', ELAS', and EDES' headquarters with a view

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to obtaining the economic intelligence desired by Allied Military Liaison (AML) and United Nations Relief & Rehabilitation Administration, (UNRRA) in addition to the conventional military and political reporting.

For the work of OSS liaison officers attached to guerilla units see SO.

A special mission called Honeymoon undertaken at the request of Brig. General Tindall, the military attache at Ankara, was successfully completed and a letter of commendation and thanks received for the services of Major Caskey and Lt. Savage.

C. Albania

The Albanian organization is taking shape, the network of locals centering around the two main groups, Eric and Beba, referred to in the report of March, is being steadily increased. Several new teams have been formed at Bari and are awaiting transportation. A radio operator for the Pola base was successfully infiltrated to join the party and the party moved inland into Partisan Territory.

D. Africa - Personnel: 20 OSS; 57 recruited in field.

The Africa set-up in MEMO was finally cleared. Accra will continue to direct the activities along the West Coast; the Congo and Angola will operate directly under Washington, but Accra will be kept informed. Washington will submit a brief summary of the highlights of operations each month to Cairo for the Theater Commander and any questions arising in Cairo will be referred by the Africa Section

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Liaison Officer direct to Washington.

In order to fulfill an important mission for Allied Forces Headquarters (AFHQ), all DF activities in Cairo Radio Intelligence ceased and the personnel of the unit was transferred to Algiers on a temporary basis.

Investigation of international diamond smuggling activities has continued to be the major program. Joint investigation with the British has disclosed that channels may include aircraft, neutral ships, enemy submarines and diplomatic pouches. Spot control of airplanes has been instituted over all British lines and the Air Transport Command (ATC), and C-2 has been asked to make similar checks at Dakar and Cairo.

Enemy submarine activity has been reported off the coast of Angola. As a result of evidence of diamond deliveries, the Governor General has removed the suspects and limited the movements of foreigners in the area.

OSS activities in Mozambique led to the probable removal of a German consular officer who is the head of the German espionage system in the area.

Reporting on clandestine radio transmitters and on subversive activities continues in South Africa.

336 reports were received during the month, 37 of which were cabled.

E. Near East - Personnel: 51 - Recruits in field - 281
Expenses: \$14,000.

Regular reporting continues on political and economic affairs in the Near East and according to the Middle East

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section of MID this is considered the best coverage of the area that they receive. 161 reports were received, 25 by cable and these were given an MID rating of 322.7 as against the SI average of 236.

A special representative was sent to Palestine to report on the disturbances which have occurred there during later March, as the period covered by the old British White Paper (on the status of Jews in Palestine) approached its end. As a result, the Near East Section was kept fully informed of events which occurred during this period.

The chief representative for Syria and Lebanon is now on a roving assignment which will take him through Iran and Iraq during the next two months. He will also recruit agent personnel for the Persian Gulf area. Special representatives have also been secured for the purpose of reporting economic intelligence.

One of the significant pieces of intelligence secured from the area during the month was a report on the destruction in Berlin and conditions in Germany secured at first hand from a neutral diplomat in Baghdad.

F. CZECHOSLOVAKIA

Plans for the penetration of Czechoslovakia are still in the formative stage and will probably be worked out in collaboration with those for Hungary and Austria. A project to use the "S" group, an already established set of contacts, have not materialized as the leader of the group has made commitments to the British. Unofficial collaboration with the Czech Intelligence officers in

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Palestine is contemplated.

G. CENTRAL EUROPE

Discussions have been held in Washington as to the handling of Central European intelligence and it has been decided that Washington will coordinate all activities in the area through a Central European desk. Several bases will be directing their efforts toward this region, Istanbul, Cairo, Bern, ETO and Algiers. Decisions made in Washington will be broad ones only with all operational details left to the field.

A draft of a program for the penetration of Austria, Hungary and Czechoslovakia was completed by the Cairo Section.

One team which was parachuted into Hungary was apprehended.

H. ISTANBUL

The difficulties mentioned in the opening paragraph have greatly hampered the work of the Istanbul office. It did, however, submit 129 reports during the month. The quality of reports varied, but the Bulgarian material on strategic points and locations was thought to be accurate by MID. The office will soon be strengthened by a regular reports officer, a chief and executive officer of SI and other personnel. The Geographic desks are henceforth to be SI desks.

Plans for a Japanese Intelligence Service have reached the formative stage⁰ and a Chief of the Far Eastern desk is being sought. A Central European Technical expert has been secured.

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TOP SECRET**I. Operational Target Section (Bari)**

The section continues to work in close collaboration with the 15th Air Force, furnishing photo interpretation, target charts, and photo-mosaics of airfields. During March A-2 of the 12th Air Force indicated that it might be required to operate in the Balkans, and that it was not receiving adequate intelligence covering that area. Having seen the OSS material furnished to the 15th, the 12th Air Force has requested that we service them in addition.

The safety landing or "escape" maps showing Partisan held areas of Yugoslavia are now in their third edition and have so far provided safe conduct for all crews. The Army recognizes their value to aviator morale and it is now planned to include photo reconnaissance of landing strips.

J. Labor Section

Word was received from Smyrna that the Pericles mission (to work with EAM, in Greece) reached Greece but direct contact has not yet been established with the group.

Our Egyptian labor contact returned from his Middle East trip with a comprehensive report on trade union developments in the Middle East.

The Bari representative is still engaged in dealing with the Partisans, but he has been instructed that projects such as exchanges of greetings between labor groups may not be undertaken by OSS, and that it must be made clear that we are empowered to make no political commitments.

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TOP SECRET**K. Reports Section**

There continues to be a steady and gratifying increase in OSS originated material. 657 Reports were processed this month, in comparison with 529 in March and 483 in February. A considerable part of this increase is due to increased activity of our missions in Greece, and recent MID and British Intelligence (ISLD) evaluations have confirmed the improvement in quality. The reports dealt principally with Greece (233), Yugoslavia (59), Albania (51), Italy (50), Bulgaria (40), Lebanon (33), Germany (30) and others. Principal sources were the Greek Section (220), Near East Section (123), Yugoslav Section (111), Istanbul (92) and Bari (88). 2560 reports were accessioned during the month. A survey has been undertaken in collaboration with the Greek section intended to show the coverage of Greece by both OSS and ISLD.

Closer and more satisfactory working relationships are being developed with both FEA and the new International Division of USAFIME, both of which are making increasing use of our economic intelligence.

III. X-2 Personnel: 5

Routine operations have been progressing satisfactorily including the collecting and collating of counter-espionage material, the development of a network of informants and the briefing of SI and SO agents about to enter occupied territory.

The Istanbul office, although hampered by lack of personnel, is now well established and the volume and

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importance of reports is increasing rapidly. A representative will shortly proceed to Beirut to open an X-2 office there. The two German agents who defected in Istanbul have been returned to the U. S. by the OSS for further questioning and X-2 is aiding in the interrogation of a woman code clerk who came over to the Allies in Ankara.

Although investigation undertaken by X-2 of the suspected enemy spy activities at the Cyprus base have so far produced no results and the W/T stations monitored have been found to be outside of the island; SI regards the situation as a critical one. Two caique captains were kidnapped and just managed to escape. Serious sabotage to the car of two officers, sporadic shooting around the base in their opinion add up to a situation of significance.

IV. R&A

R&A in Cairo is working closely for and with other agencies with like interests, JMRRA, MEW, the International Division of USAFIME and OWI, attending weekly meetings and furnishing information and studies. OSS is represented by the chief of R&A on the newly formed Balkan Civil Affairs Planning Committee, and was also represented at the Middle East Financial Conference.

Several reports on the Greek political situation have been made and a Greek population study is in progress. Also completed is a report entitled "The U.S. Army's role in Balkan Reoccupation". Material on chrome resources, and

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shipments in the Balkans is being assembled.

At the request of Bari, special information is being assembled on Slovenia, in connection with a joint British-American operation now being planned. The report will contain information on enemy military strength in the area, Partisan controlled territories, description of Slovenian military objectives, particularly the transportation system, and suggestions as to vulnerable railroad targets.

The regular weekly Yugoslav, Greek and Hungarian intelligence summaries have been prepared as well as the weekly cables to R&A, London on Greek developments.

Due to the shortage of personnel at Istanbul, the R&A representative has spent much of his time gathering and transmitting reports. Liaison work with British, Italian and other American agencies has been profitable but specific R&A work slackened due to a drying up of published sources after the German occupation of Hungary and the allied bombardment of Balkan transportation.

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VI. SO Personnel: 100

A. Yugoslavia

Five Liaison officers and 3 EM are now attached to the various Partisan Corps Areas. Major Farish, Senior Liaison Officer to Tito is now on his third trip into the country and is at present reconnoitering airfields and organizing guerillas. One officer is establishing an evacuation base for force landed airmen. He is

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sending out lists of rescued aviators, intelligence and battle orders as well as urgent calls for ammunition and bazookas. The Germans are in the area and are pressing the Partisans. Press reports of trains wrecked in the areas where our men are known to be would lead us to suppose that they are instrumental in directing these operations. Our representative who was with Mihailovitch is still making his way out. Several missions are waiting to go into the country until a decision has been reached as to whether the U. S. will have a mission independent of the British, and their leaders have been called to Caserta for conferences.

A project was established to supply the Partisans for the purpose of carrying out a sabotage operation. The original contemplation was that 500 tons should be shipped for a three month period, but conferences with the Partisans and British indicate the advisability of limiting shipments to supplies necessary for initiation of the sabotage activity.

B. Greece

Our senior liaison officer, Major Wines, started on an inspection trip of all Allied Military Missions in Greece with Col. Lord Woodhouse, head of the mission. Reports of growing dissension among guerillas leaders, however, and a threatened revival of hostilities caused them to suspend the tour and they are now beginning a new series of conferences with the leaders of EAM, EDES and EKKA in an effort to reestablish amicable relations.

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Major Wines has been requested to carry on negotiations with the Andartes, representing the entire Allied Military Mission.

Seven OSS liaison officers are now in Greece. All are training guerillas in the use of weapons and sabotage and the whole mission is charged with interrupting the German lines of communication on D-Day. They will be aided by groups of OG's, now training in Manfredonia, who will be infiltrated shortly.

The EDDES airport, being built under the supervision of one of our officers is nearing completion and operations from that base are expected in the near future.

Lieutenant Moyers, (a doctor) is making an inspection tour of his area seeking a location to which his hospital may be transferred so as to give maximum medical aid during Noah's Ark operations. A medical technician has been dropped to him and two more assistants are in parachute training.

An escape route and two evacuation bases have been established for Allied airmen.

Our expedition into the Evros district with the objective of cutting off vital supplies to Germany, was attacked by a strong force of Germans on 10 April and forced back because of lack of weapons and ammunition. Bad weather has held up the dispatch of necessary supplies by plane but a caique load of weapons and demolitions is on its way to a pre-established pinpoint. This mission is now being directed from Cairo.

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Captain Lloyd Smith is now in Albania where he is making plans for D-Day sabotage, aided by Ballist groups.

Lt. Taylor, Operations Officer at Bari, and a party were landed on the coast on the night of 31 March in an attempt to reconnoitre a new pinpoint in the northern coastal area. Radio contact was maintained, and urgent messages were received asking to be picked up as German troops were in the vicinity. Bad weather delayed the rescue boat until April 4, when an unsuccessful attempt to rescue the party was made. The evacuation boat was fired on and no sign or word was received from our men in the country. Pre-arranged reconnaissance flights April 8 and 9 were also unsuccessful. It has, however, now been reliably reported that the whole party is safe with a British mission 20 miles east in the mountains.

D. Hungary and Rumania

Conferences have been held with Force 133 and plans are underway for two all-American sub-missions to Rumania. One mission has already been assigned and is preparing for an early departure.

Discussions have also been held with Force 133 for the purpose of establishing an advanced base on the Hungarian border to contact resistance groups for the penetration of Hungary: Both the Rumanian and Hungarian missions will be infiltrated through Yugoslavia and will be briefed for SI, SO and MO.

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TOP SECRET**VII. AIR OPERATIONS**

The 15th Air Force has detailed two U. S. Liaison type aircraft on detached service to the Bari Base. These planes are to work under the direction of the Anglo-American Mission and are to be used in any function which will assist in the safe landing, recovery and evacuation of British and American airmen lost in the Balkans. It is understood that two additional aircraft (Ansters) with pilots will be furnished by the RAF.

Four successful sorties were made by plane into Greece during the week of 21-28 April dropping 3 tons of stores.

VIII. MO Personnel: 23

The rapid expansion of MO followed by a period of assimilating new people into the organization has been followed by an equally rapid broadening of MO activities. During April the MO Chief has returned from Bari where he established an MO Branch, and made arrangements for permanent liaison between MO and the Yugoslav Partisans. Both the Cairo and Palestine PWE radio stations are using our black stories on their Hungarian, Rumanian and German broadcasts. The Greek News Broadcast is in its fourth month and a Morse code broadcast is being prepared to be aimed at W/T operators in German garrisons in Greece. Pamphlets are being prepared, attacking Greek Security Battalions, urging Greeks to attack the Germans, using the Hungarian underground to call on labor to resist. Weekly rumors are sent to Istanbul, Bari, Smyrna and Force 133 and Hungarian

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Greek pamphlets are being disseminated. An MC-PWE Training film has been completed, and MO is also supervising SO's training film. The first clippings of newspaper plants placed in Greek newspapers in Alexandria have been received and poison pen letters are now being sent regularly to Greek quislings. A program has been proposed for the organization of a Rumanian-American youth movement for open propaganda activities.

MO's representative to Tito is still awaiting transportation in Bari.

IX. MU Personnel: 25**A. Greek Shipping Operations**

During the early part of April the information was (a) that the base at Dublin had been closed; (b) that no contraband can be snipped by caique along the Turkish coast; and (c) that there is a possibility of withdrawal of all Raiding Forces from the Aegean, north of the 38th parallel. However, toward the end of the month the Turkish picture seemed to be clearing enough to give encouragement for the future of Greek ferrying operations, and the British have been cooperative in helping in the repair and reconversion of our caiques.

Twenty-two caiques are now in service: 13 in operation, 6 are awaiting new engines and 3 are being repaired.

MU has continued its 100 percent safety record in the transportation of agent and supplies by means of small caiques across increasingly dangerous enemy

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controlled waters. During the first two weeks of 1944, ten more agents have been moved north from Alexandria to Cyprus and on to the northernmost OSS base in the Aegean, known as Boston. From there smaller caiques will take these agents across to Evvia, where the Andartes, through an arrangement by OSS men, will meet the agents and transport them to any point in occupied Greece. Fast surface craft is still a desperate necessity and permission from Washington was granted to order three 20-knot boats from an Egyptian boat builder.

The Commanding Officer at Bari has investigated the possibility of using the facilities of the San Marco Battalion at Taranto for training purposes for Maritime groups. The British are operating a school, the station is well equipped and both the British and Italians are eager to cooperate.

B. Shipping Operations - Bari

In accordance with the decision reached on March 25 that the OSS would withdraw from Partisan shipping activities, 2,500,000 lire was given the Partisans in full payment of our financial commitments up to 30 April. In the course of the month, however, the Partisans asked for 2,500,000 additional lire to pay outstanding bills and continue ship repairs. The C.O. of the Bari base pointed out that he had no authority to make further advances but would present a request to Algiers if the Partisans wished to prepare a written statement. An OSS officer is remaining in charge of the repair operations.

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All OG's who were formerly attached to Cairo have been transferred to Algiers. Those, however, who will take part in Noah's Ark operations in Greece will be under the command of the Strategic Services Officer in Cairo when operating in his territory. These groups are now in training near Bari. Although they have expected momentarily to be infiltrated into Greece, at the end of the month none had been landed.

The OG's on Vis have now been relieved of responsibility for island defense and are now free to concentrate on raiding, demolitions and reconnaissance.

The officers in charge have made strong protests to Washington on the lack of slots for promotion of enlisted men, as they feel that the situation is engendering serious morale difficulties.

XI. COMMUNICATIONS Personnel: 94

The Cairo Message Center handles an average of 500 messages a week.

Arrangements have been made for traffic from the field to be handled on a relay basis to the Bari Base. Twenty-three agent radio circuits are in daily operation in the Advance and Base stations, and three listening watches are being maintained. 2550 messages were handled at the radio station during the month.

Four large cargoes arrived by sea and the stockpile of communications equipment is now almost complete.

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XII. SERVICES

Services has been preparing the administrative records for the transfer of personnel to Bari, in order to be ready to effect the transfer on 1 May.

There has been a drastic curtailment of air transport from the U. S., and it has been necessary to request water travel for urgently needed personnel. Travel for women is completely at a standstill as the War Department has never approved water transportation for women to this theater. It is hoped that some combination of sea and air can be arranged.

Eighteen shipments were received from the U. S. and 12 were forwarded to Bari, 2 by air.

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Tabulated data on Project, mentioned or described in April Reports
(This contains all information presently available concerning these projects)

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M E M ONO PROJECTSPROGRESS DURING APRIL

<u>NAME</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PROGRESS DURING APRIL</u>
"The White List"	To provoke cooperation with Allies.	Weekly rumors sent to Istanbul, Bari, Smyrna, Force 133, on these and other subjects.
"Caiques"	To discourage caique owners from supplying Germans.	
"Bed of Roses"	Troop desertions.	
"B & D"	To terrorize Bucharest and Budapest.	
Kitsch Plan	To stimulate formation in the Wehrmacht of small revolutionary soldier committees.	Plan submitted to field and implementation asked.

BLACK NEWS BROADCASTS

In Greek to Greeks

To supply Greek underground newspapers with actual news and occasional rumors.

In 4th month.

In German to German troops in Balkans.

News cast to be sent in Morse code.

Text prepared. Scheduled to begin 8 May.

In Bulgarian, Hungarian and Rumanian.

Intended to supply news and rumors to underground.

Cairo and Palestine radios using scripts.

FILMS

MO-PWE Training film completed. Supervision of SO Training film.

Greek, Hungarian & Rumanian prepared and disseminated.

APPENDICES

NAME	DESCRIPTION	PROGRESS DURING APRIL
"Cannister Project"	To drop cannisters of subversive material to underground organizations for dissemination.	(Proposed)
"Coffin" Plan	Printing of "warning" messages to quislings and Germans on coffin shaped leaflets.	
"Pavelich" Plan	To discredit Pavelich through use of secret material, disseminated by underground.	(In preparation.)
<u>NEWSPAPERS</u>		
Underground Newspapers	To recruit inside Greece anti-German men to edit underground papers.	(Proposed)
Newspapers Plants	To plant stories purporting to come from Greek-American patriots in Greek newspapers in Alexandria.	Stories planted. 1st clippings received.
"POW" Newspaper	Printing newspaper purported to be written, edited and printed by German POWs.	Planned.
<u>PRISON PER LETTERS</u>		
		Sent to Greek quislings regularly.
<u>MISSIONS - YUGOSLAVIA</u>		
"Norman Mission"	To establish a permanent MO liaison man with Y-S Partisan Headquarters.	Representative in Bari awaiting transportation.
"Banner Project" Base: Bari	To establish leading political figure.	No report.

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NAME	DESCRIPTION	PROGRESS DURING APRIL
Sava Project Base: Bari	To carry into Partisan Head- quarters a former Y-S minister.	
<u>MISSIONS - RUMANIA AND BULGARIA</u>		
"No Name Mission"	MO Participation in mission to advance post near Turnu Severion to work into Rumania and Bulgaria.	Preparing material.
<u>MISSIONS - GREECE</u>		
"Apple Plan"	Utilizing outstanding Greek Democrat presently in MO staff, Cairo, to effect surrender of important island garrison. "Jean" - with SI.	Final arrangements for dispatch of mission.
"Berry" Plan	Effecting release from France of most effective force for unifying Greek Andartes.	Altered situation among guerillas. Plan has been brought up to date and resubmitted. (Mar.) No further report.
"Z" and "S" Plan	Introducing "Jean" into Greece to cement relations between guerillas.	No further report.
<u>MISSIONS - MIDDLE EAST</u>		
"Gus" Mission	To dispatch tobacco merchant to Smyrna as permanent MO man for rumor and pamphlet dissemination.	(Pending solution of present Turkish passport difficulties).
"Harry" Mission	Dispatch of priest to Istanbul as permanent MO man to work through Greek Orthodox channels.	(Pending passport)
<u>Y-S MATERIAL</u>	Sending in copies of "Time" "Yank", U.S.A.", "Victory" "Readers Digest" and posters into Partisan Headquarters. Movies soon.	Material forwarded regularly.

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NAME	GEOGRAPHIC AREA	DESCRIPTION	NUMBER OF AGENTS INVOLVED	PROGRESS DURING APRIL
<u>SI- AFRICA</u> 4-B	Belgian Congo	Intelligence	1	51 reports and 5 cables. Expenses: \$1200. No special achievements but general progress excellent.
Africa #7	British West Africa including Portuguese Guinea, Liberia Colonies of F.W.A. including Togo-Sahony, Ivory Coast and Senegal.	"	5 & 3 recruited in field.	67 reports and 12 cables. Expenses: \$1600. IDB investigation Gold Coast complete. Cooperation of FEA & ATC in carrying out IDB program.
Africa #9	Angola	"	4 & 30 recruited in field	4 cables and 27 reports. Expenses: \$2000. Smuggling suspects reports. Evidence secured on Axis agents leading to action by Portuguese authorities to control their movements.
Africa #10	Cape Verde Islands	"	2 & 3 recruited in field	2 cables. Expenses: \$1200. Reports on attempts of Portuguese to enter post-war aviation field.
Africa #11	Union of South Africa	"	3 & 8 recruited in field	31 reports and 5 cables. Axis clandestine activity brought to attention of South African authorities.
Africa #12	Portuguese East Africa	"	2 and 15 recruited in field	51 reports & 2 cables. Expenses \$2500. Axis agents show willingness to give information to our representative. State Department hostile and uncooperative.

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NAME	GEOGRAPHIC AREA	DESCRIPTION	NUMBER OF AGENTS INVOLVED	PROGRESS DURING APRIL
<u>SI - AFRICA</u>				
Africa #20	Ethiopia	Intelligence	3	72 reports and 7 cables. Expenses: \$300. Sparse results; no head of mission.
Africa #101 (DF)	Cairo (3 stations; 1 in METO- 2 NATO	"		Personnel transferring to Algiers.

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SPECIAL INTELLIGENCE MISSIONS

<u>NAME</u>	<u>GEOGRAPHIC AREA</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PROGRESS DURING APRIL</u>
<u>A. WEATHER STATIONS - YUGOSLAVIA</u>			
Station A. (Calif. Amet)	Yugoslavia	To furnish weather information.	Leading weather intelligence.
Station B. (Hudson Amet) Corps Hdqs. (Alum)	Partisan 7th	" " " "	" " "
Station C (Delaware Amet)	"	" " " " }	" " " }
Station D. (Base Amet)	"	" " " " }	" " " }
<u>B. YUGOSLAV INTELLIGENCE MISSIONS</u>			
Hudson-Alaska	Partisan 7th Corps Hdqs.- Hudson	Intelligence.	
Alum	Hdqs.-Hudson	"	Large and regular volume of reports - German activities, troop movements and Yugoslav politics.
AMAZON	Partisan Territory	"	Reporting regularly OB, targets, etc.

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NAME	GEOGRAPHIC AREA	DESCRIPTION	PROGRESS DURING APRIL
Arizona (Mulberry)	Yugoslavia	Intelligence	
Arkansas	Yugoslavia	Team for Partisan Territory.	Waiting.
Oak	"Mungus". Like. 4th Corps Partisan Area.		Scheduled to depart.
Maple			Ready to go 25 March.
Redwood			
Tunic	Partisan Territory.	Labor Desk Project to secure aid of Partisans in penetrating neighboring countries.	Cordial relations with Partisans in Earl being fostered.

G. CREEK INTELLIGENCE MISSIONS

Craxon	Island of Tinos in the Aegean	Reporting on shipping; gathering intelligence from caique officers; setting up a mail route.	Letter rec'd saying long silence due to failure of batteries. New batteries & a charger sent by boat.
Settler	In Greece near Piraeus; also for Athens.	Agent X-6, with radio, operating in Greece.	Radio in bad condition. Difficulty with Germans. Operator sent with new radio.
Brigand	Athens		Rejuvenated mission, X-8 and X-10 in Smyrna on way back to post.

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NAME	GEOGRAPHIC AREA	DESCRIPTION	PROGRESS DURING APRIL
Gasolene	In Euboea; northern Greece.	Intelligence in Salonika.	Departed from Smyrna 14 April.
Panlax	Near Salonika, in Greece.	Operator X-16 with radio.	Money and supplies sent. Good reports by radio. Large mail received 30 April.
Despot	Near Athens in Greece.		Huge mail received 17 April. Intelligence from military subsource. Report that courier was apprehended (antrug).
Oracle	In Greece, near Athens.		Came on air from destination for first time 29 April. Sending intelligence by radio.
Chicago (Illinois)	Cyprus	See SO.	
Honeymoon		At request of Military Attache, Ankara.	Mission completed successfully. Letter of commendation.
Dago	Dodecanese	Mission under Capt. Cankey for Aegean Island, jointly with Italian intelligence.	Plans with Italians progressing.
Floka	Lacedonia		Departed from Smyrna 14 April.
Horse Breeders			Arrived Smyrna. No contact yet.
Pericles	Greece	Labor Desk project. Current intelligence through Greek EAM.	Reached destination.
Helios (formerly Gold)	Dodecanese	1 informant, 1 operator.	In Cyprus.

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NAME	GEOGRAPHIC AREA	DESCRIPTION	PROGRESS DURING APRIL
Byzantine		1 agent, 1 operator.	Arrived in Smyrna. Mission abandoned. Operator unsatisfactory.
Alicious	Corfu Base: Bari	reconnaissance mission of informant unaccompanied by an operator.	
Iron	Chalkidiki		In Smyrna planning mission.
Ali Fasha	Yiannia & Argyrokastro		Left for destination.
Halot	Kalamata South Peloponnese	To cover convoys and gather economic information.	Plans being made.
Apple	Corte	Joint mission with MO.	In preparation.
Stork	Larissa		In planning stage.

ALBANIAN INTELLIGENCE MISSIONS

Eric	North & north central regions. Western coastal area. Bases: "Bird"; - north coast. "Peary"	Intelligence in Ballist & Zogist area. 3 teams working.	Operator has maintained wireless connection for British and Americans despite German occupation of area. 2 local operators working.
Besa		South and central inland. Base: Polo. LMC (Partisan area).	
Fasha	"Polo" Base	"	Radio operator joined team. Making way to interior.

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SPECIAL OPERATIONS MISSIONS

<u>NAME</u>	<u>GEOGRAPHIC AREA</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PROGRESS DURING APRIL</u>
GREYHOUND Noah's Ark	Greece	Interruption lines of communication during German withdrawal. Personnel: All members Allied Military Mission. To be reinforced by OG's and British commandos.	Pinpoints arranged.
Liaison Officers SERIN	Hqs. ELAS	Senior American Liaison Officer, Greece.	Met Zervas. Revival of hostilities. Conducting new negotiations among guerilla groups.
Station "Truffle"	Northern Greece.	Liaison Officer. 2nd in command.	In action. Andartes successfully attacked Poulos' troops. Aiding in reception OG's and British commandos.
ABDUL Station "Boodle"		Liaison Officer.	With guerillas.
BUICE	Near Aegean	" "	Facilitating removal allied airmen.

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NAME	GEOGRAPHIC AREA	DESCRIPTION	PROGRESS DURING APRIL
<u>GREECE</u> (col't) Station "Shepstead"	Epirus	Liaison Officer.	EDES Airport nearing completion. Asking for demolitions man.
<u>IOWAY</u> Station "Kinbrace"	Lekana. May move to Rhodianoi	" "	Inspection tour of area with a view of changing location of hospital in his charge. Assistant safely dropped. Two assistants taking parachute training.
<u>DEBIT</u> Station "Hearny" or "Lillian"	Gulf of Corinth	Liaison Officer. 2nd in command under British officer.	Operating escape route for Allied airmen. Established permanent contact Athens. Evacuated 6 Am. latter part of March.
----- Station "Kortlake"		Sgt. assisting SEMW	
<u>Chicago</u>	AVROS	To interrupt the shipment of vital supplies to Germany.	Attacked by large German force. Calque load of supplies and weapons en route to party. Plane load of supplies held up by bad weather.
<u>YUGOSLAVIA</u> <u>Spike</u>	Skoplje area	Interruption of communications. Target: Mines.	Mission waiting to go. Chief called to Caserta for conference.

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NAME	GEOGRAPHIC AREA	DESCRIPTION	PROGRESS DURING APRIL
Fubar or Crowe	Stajerki area	Interruption of communica- tions. Target: Aircraft factory.	Left for Bari 8 April. Briefed by British and Americans. Chief called to Caserta for conference.
Dravo		To supply Partisans.	Reconnaissance of supply route. Supplies will be limited to those necessary for initiation of sabotage campaign.
Liaison Officers: BREFY Station "Hanson"	7th Corps Area	Senior Liaison with Tito.	Reconnoitering airfield and organizing guerillas.
----- -----	"	Asst. to Senior Liaison with Tito.	
----- Station "Relator"	Dalmatia 8th Corps area	Liaison Officer	With guerillas.
----- Station "Flotsan"	7th Corps area	2nd in command	
----- Station "Takeoff"	2nd Corps area		Operating evacuation base for allied airmen. Requests bazookas, Germans in area.
----- BANKO Station "Repatee"		Liaison officer Michailovitch Hqtrs.	Retiring from station.

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<u>NAME</u>	<u>GEOGRAPHIC AREA</u>	<u>DESCRIPTION</u>	<u>PROGRESS DURING APRIL</u>
-----	Slavonia	Asst. Chief British sub-mission.	To Caserta for conference.
<u>ALBANIA</u>	Hills Mission South of Valona	Interruption of communications.	
Underdone		Interruption of communications during German withdrawal. Parallels Koch's Art.	
<u>RUMANIA</u> Borbu		All American sub-mission. Briefed for SI. Penetration through Yugoslavia.	Mission formed and preparing for early departure.
-----		All American sub-mission. Briefed for SI. Penetration through Yugoslavia.	In planning stage.
<u>HUNGARY</u>		Penetration of Hungary through Yugoslavia. Briefed for SI.	Mission formed and preparing for early departure.

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FAR EASTERN THEATRE

REPORT

APRIL, 1944

C H I I A - ASSAM

Colonel Coughlin, Strategic Services Officer for OSS in China, with headquarters in Chungking, has under his authority all OSS operations in this area, as well as those carried on by Detachment 101 in Nazira, India. He is also Deputy Director of SACO (Sino-American Cooperative Organization).

I. A. Assam - Detachment 101

I. GENERAL

Total personnel of Detachment 101 at the end of April were 66 officers and 130 men.

Lt. Colonel Peers reports that the month of April has seen a very rapid and important growth of Detachment 101. Detachment 101 has been ordered by General Stilwell to undertake the expansion of guerrilla forces under its command to a total of 4,000 men and to absorb irregular units operating south of his advance troops and north of the stronghold established by the British airborne column formerly commanded by General Wingate.

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For this purpose General Stilwell has assigned 10 officers and 29 enlisted men of his command to Detachment 101 (~~as noted above~~) and has supplied sufficient arms and ammunition. He has allocated 2,000 rifles together with machine guns and mortars to implement this program. This will involve an expansion of OSS activities in this area and the report below from 101 indicates that considerable progress is being made.

The principal mission has been information for the Allied advance in Burma. 101 agents have supplied detailed intelligence concerning the most important trails, the better bridges, natural defense zones, free native villages, location of Japanese soldiers and installations. Ambush work has accompanied these activities in all areas, and some 232 Japanese have been killed.

Approximately 2000 armed natives are now led by 29 OSS officers. Agents are sending in constant reports over 51 different radios. Over 200,000 pounds of equipment and food stuffs were dropped to our agents during April, compared to 137,000 for March and 89,000 for February. By the end of May we expect to have 3,000 armed native guerrillas.

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Five separate field information groups are now operating in Burma, each in daily contact through 101 with the various combat units. All incoming messages are relayed immediately to Lt. General Stilwell's most advanced headquarters so there is minimum delay in transmission of "hot" information to Ground Forces. 101 also distributes incoming information to the Air Force and the Air Transport Command.

Captain Chartrand, liaison with Stilwell's forces, has transmitted directly to the various field groups all pressing requests for specific information. Similar officers have been stationed temporarily with Merrill's forces and the Wingate expedition.

B. Service with General Merrill.

For several months OSS has had northern Burma divided into districts, in each one of which there is an American officer in command of native troops trained by OSS to secure information and relay it by radio to district headquarters. The first OSS unit which made contact with the forces of General Merrill (a brigadier under General Stilwell) was the "Knothead" group consisting of approximately 8 Americans and 331 natives operating generally in the Hukawng area north

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of Myitkyina but well in front of the Allied lines. It was organized in May 1943 with the aid of Kachin tribal leaders and a local missionary, Father Stuart, who had served in the area for four years.

This group assisted General Merrill first by supplying enemy intelligence and later by furnishing guides, terrain information, trail building, and security outposts. To quote from the recent report (by Captain Curl):

"From this time on, OSS had Father Stuart (a catholic priest who had served four years in the Kachin area and who is well liked by the natives) and at least 25 natives as guides accompany Merrill's command. The number of natives was apparently increased until a large part of the 'Knothead' group together with their native leaders were with Merrill's command. The natives were constantly employed as guards, guides, patrols, and fighters."

In the same report on the 27th of March, the following appeared:

"It was apparent that General Merrill was now realizing the value of native help in a strange country. He conferred many times daily (and at night) with Father Stuart and Zing Tawng Naw (the leader of the Kachins) who gave him all the information brought in."

Native guides proved indispensable because of the errors in the maps and new trails which are not shown. Consequently, each patrol was supplied with a minimum of 2 guides at the battalion command post and in addition there was a pool of 10 to 15 Kachins at the regimental

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command post. Through radio stations, Kachin patrols, and a system of native outposts, Detachment 101 had immediate first hand knowledge of Japanese movements and concentrations in the mountain trails along his route.

The assistance rendered by the native units as guerrilla troops in ambushing the Japanese is covered under SO.

E. Collaboration with Air Force.

The air force continues to receive our target designations and results of their air operations. Targets which we suggest are regularly bombed and gratifying effects of these bombings are confirmed by our ground informants.

Rescue of pilots forced down behind enemy lines continues. At present search is being conducted for two pilots whose planes crashed at widely separated areas within Japanese occupied territory. Two rescued late in March could not be flown out because of enemy activity, but we were able to supply them with elephants, guides and an escort who saw them safely to U. S. lines.

D. Liaison Arrangements.

Liaison has been established with the British forward interrogation center at Gaunati, where refugees and prisoners are thoroughly questioned and classified; with the Assam government intelligence agents at Shillong

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principally engaged with possible infiltration of Japanese agents in the Naga Hills; British intelligence section Agarapara near Calcutta interrogating captured Japanese agents; British Ministry of Information at New Delhi and the home department of the intelligence section there; the Burma police and various other intelligence organizations.

III. X-2

Colonel Rubinstein was visited 101 and made plans to start a section of X-2, but personnel have not arrived.

IV. R & A

We maintain close liaison with New Delhi R & A which has supplied us with much useful information for future operations. There is no R & A personnel assigned here permanently.

V. CD**OPERATIONS****VI. SO**

Chief SO work done by 101 units was services rendered to General Stilwell's forces. As noted above, Captain Carl's "Knothead" group assisted General Merrill in the movement toward Myitkyina. Lightning force patrols and other native Kachins cleared trails, built bamboo

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bridges and guard rails, located much needed water holes, selected dropping grounds for air supplies. A particularly valuable job was selecting fields capable of taking an L-5 airplane for the purpose of flying out the wounded and sick.

Lieutenant Tilly's Lightning force was particularly successful, killing over 150 Japanese and wounding others. Lieutenant [redacted] His force of 200 sometimes fought as many as 800 of the enemy, yet suffered no severe casualties. One of General Merrill's battalions was surrounded for 14 days during which all men lived in foxholes and even water had to be dropped to them. Thanks to the determined help and battle cunning of the Lightning force, this siege was broken up and the battalion rescued.

New operations for the immediate future are the "Hoffmann" Group and "Sugar Loaf No. 2". The "Hoffmann" Group consists of four Burmese-speaking Karens who will be put into the Bhamo area about March 29. The duty of these two radio teams will be to establish themselves in a friendly village on either side of Bhamo and report on Japanese river traffic and other activities. The purpose of "Sugar Loaf No. 2", supervised by Lieutenant Kenneth M. Pier, is to locate air fields suitable for use in the Allied invasion of

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Japanese-held Simalur Islands and Sumatra. Lieutenant Pier's group of 6 expects to attempt landing from submarine on May 8, spend 3 days inspecting the islands, and return to Trincomalee on May 15. If successful, this operation should add greatly to OSS prestige in the Far East, since the information obtained may form the basis for a major invasion.

The following charts will bring us up to date with activities of units operating from 101:--

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A. OPERATIONS

GROUP	LOCATION	LEADER	RADIO OFF	AMERICAN	AGENTS	ARMED	REMARKS
AREA I						NATIVES	
FORWARD	Nguala	Lt. Comdr. Luce	10	3	6	19	100 1. Guerrilla Natives Companies are being formed as fast as weapons can be dropped in. Expansion to the South is well under way. 2. Effectiveness of ambush- es have been excellent. 16 Japs have been killed south of Mingchangyang with no loss to our own forces. 2 Jap trucks were destroyed by our land mines. 2 Jap Quisling killed at KWITU. 6 Japs killed at TANGPU, 6 more at NINGLAM. 4 Japs and 3 mules killed at MINGKYI. 5 out of 7 killed at PUMKAH- TAWNG.
Companies: "A, B, C, D, "	MINGCHANGYANG	Lt. Larsen	3	3	4	10	600
Companies: "S, T, U, "	MINGKYI	Maj. Drown	2	0	0	4	225
Company: "O"	LUNGRE BUMI	Maj. Milton Capt. Joost	3	2	1	7	175
							Total... 1100

(See Overlay for further locations)

AREA II
PAT

CHARING Capt. Quinn 3 0 0 11 100

1. Lt. Hazelwood parachuted
into "Pat" Operation on
Easter Sunday.

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GROUP	LOCATION	LEADER	RADIO OFF	AFRICAN	AGENTS	ARMED NATIVES	REMARKS
AREA II (Contd) Company: ARANG #PW		Lt. Hazelwood	1	1	4	60	2. This area will be quite important for the contemplated advance of General Stilwell upon MYITKYINA. 3. Rail line and train wreck accredited to this operation this month. Ambush work has been quite successful. 10 Japs killed near ARANG from a party of 39. 2 Japs killed south of KAI. 100 feet of phone line cut on road between MYITKYINA-WKITHAU. 4. This area will shortly be built up to include around 750 armed natives.
			Total			<u>160</u>	

GROUP	LOCATION	LEADER	RADIO OFF	AFRICAN	AGENTS	ARMED NATIVES	REMARKS
AREA III "KNOTHEAD" Company: KAWVAN #PW	Eastern Hukawng	Lt. Pamplin	7	4	14	331	1. Between March 6th and March 19, the MYIHPRAPH-PUNG, or "Lightning Force" armed native Kachins, under Lt. Tilly, accounted for over 159 Japs killed and an undetermined number wounded. 2. Group also caring for over 700 destitute Kachin refugees.
		Lt. Martin	1	2	3	120	
			Total			<u>451</u>	

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AREA III (Contd)

3. Nowhere have the Americans brought such close relationship between themselves and native villages as in this area.
4. General Merrill has both highly praised the help obtained in this area.

1. Tramp Operation with Hqrs. at TARO, has under it these three separate operations: "Red, Pete, and Down".
2. Recruiting is under way and it is hoped soon to have 750 armed native guerrillas here.
3. Lt. Coussoule and a group of forty-seven Gurkhas are working in the SINGALINGH-KANTI Area.

AREA IV "TRAMP"	TARO	Capt. Colling	2	2	10	2	30
"Red"	Hkanti	Maj. Maddox	3	1	3	8	80
"Pete"	LONKIN	Capt. Ludkin	1	1	8	4	80
"Down"	LONKIN	Capt. Grones	1	1	9	5	55
						Total.....	241

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1. Working directly with base and Gen. Stilwell's Hqrs. Supplying much needed coordination between British and Americans.
2. Two radio teams working. HOPIN, WAMMA & PINBAW areas. Areas south of "Broadway".
3. Excellent spot from which to launch new operations.

GROUP 10 "Broadway" Capt. Cummings 4 2 2 18

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GROUP LOCATION LEADER RADIO OFF AMERICAN AGENTS ARMED JAPANESE REMARKS

"HAYE" Camp. Ernie 1 0 0 2 0 1. These two operators will be put into operation by parachute on or about May 8th. They will set up intelligence service around MAYMO & MANDALAY.
2. They will obtain information on GOKTEK VIADUCT & other important lines of communication.

"HERTZ" Ft. Hertz Lt. West 2 1 2 2 0 1. Weather and air raid warning station.
2. Is serving as important base to get our agents and officers to areas they are intended. Approximately 45 people were forwarded by this station during month of April.

"CHITTAGONG" Chitta-gong Ens. Shepard 1 2 12 2 2 1. Present base for Marine Section on sea rescue of airmen.
2. Training MU personnel.
3. Will be useful to put in operations thru use of their Crash boat.

"TULA" South of BHANO TU 1 0 0 2 2 1. Still have radio contact but this group is now being fairly well suppressed by Japs moving north thru the SI-U area.

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GROUP	LOCATION	LEADER	RADIO	AMERICAN OFFICERS	AGENTS	ARMED NATIVES	REMARKS
COMBAT HQRS	With Gen. Stilwell	Maj. Hunter	2	2	4	0	1. Having direct contact with certain of our field radio stations, this group is furnishing important first-hand information for the G-2.
HOFFMANN	Camp	Toto	2	0	0	4	1. Group will form two radio teams. Will be entered into the BHAMO area thru "BROADWAY". Main mission is to set up intelligence in and around Bhamo, get info on Bhamo Town airfield, traffic on the IHRAWADDY. Group goes in March 29th.
SUGAR LOAF NO. II	Ceylon	Lt. Pier	1	2	4	0	1. Group undergoing training near Trincomalee. Will land from submarine on Jap held Island of Simalur and Sumatra; on or around 8th May. 2. Purpose of landing will be to inspect for possible site for glider landings & subsequent landing of operational and combat aircraft. 3. This operation, if successful, should add greatly to prestige of OSS in the Far East, as the information obtained may form the basis for a major invasion in a new area.

TOTAL: RADIO'S 51
 AM. OFF. 29
 AM. E.M. 65
 AGENTS 103
 ARMED NATIVES 2204

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VII. AIR ACTIVITIES

Air dropping of supplies is done on a large scale. In addition to dropping food and supplies sufficient for our own personnel and native recruits, we also make drops to provide many refugees and natives whose food supplies have been depleted by the enemy. This effort is well paid for in good will and information.

A packing shed has been set up and put into operation at our headquarters. Very shortly we intend to pack all of our supplies at this station and have the planes land here and pick them up.

At Dinjan we now have 2 officers who supervise the packing, arrange the schedules for dropping, and fly to the targets with the supplies. As stated at the beginning, over 200,000 pounds of equipment and foodstuffs were dropped to our agents during April.

To make these drops possible the following units are working with us: The Second Drop Carrier Squadron located at Dinjan Field, the Rescue Squadron, Air Transport Command at Chabua Field, the 1st Air Dropping Company at Dinjan Field, and the 5301st, 5302nd, 5303rd Air Dropping Platoon for Dinjan Field.

Drops have been made within a few hours after message requesting supplies was received. These drops include rations, medical supplies, ammunition, guns,

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gasoline and personnel. Parachutes are of cotton material, some salvaged from the jungle and previous drops, yet we have had less than 1% parachute failures.

It is hoped that higher commanders will assign permanently to Detachment 101 at least one B-24 and one C-47 aircraft.

VIII. MO

Morale operations changed over from the preparatory stage to the operational stage during April. Our first "Black" leaflets have been produced and were delivered personally to some of our forward operational units and by "drop" to others. The leaflets have been supplemented with a succession of rumors. A start has been made in the development of a false intelligence campaign with the production of a semi-code document of a confusing nature. Production of leaflets is continuing in cooperation with the OWI at their Powai (Assam) outpost.

Major Herbert Little has surveyed MO needs in the Far East, and is expected to return to Washington soon. Both he and Mr. Carleton Schofield agree that MO possibilities at 101 are excellent. Personnel needed as sub-base operators: five young men who possess training enabling them to collect intelligence, make up and disseminate MO material, and take care of agents.

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TOP SECRET**IX. MU**

Ensign Shepard took his ships to sea 16 days from March 1 to April 20, making five 1-day trips, one 4-day, and one 7-day. The 1-day trips, each covering approximately 100 miles, were made to train new Naval personnel and familiarize them with their craft, and to train machine gunners in conjunction with fighter planes. The 4-day operation was made for the purpose of photographing operations of boats and training of agents.

Ensign Shepard believes that, with the equipment on hand, MU operations in his area should consist of landing and picking up agents within range on the Burma coast, supplying agent groups within enemy territory, and landing and picking up specially trained sabotage groups and reconnaissance parties.

His most important problem at present is locating and building a main training base. Present indications are that Ceylon is the nearest suitable location for this base.

X. QG**XI. COMMUNICATIONS**

The new transmitter site began operating April 24, using Federal 447 Transmitter and Rombic antenna. Signals have been very satisfactory, stations working

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which ordinarily had difficulty receiving 101 messages. Thirteen civilian native employees and 4 enlisted men are operating 7 positions that work over 120 schedules each day. Experience has shown that the native, with few exceptions, lacks responsibility, failing to realize the importance of his position and so cannot always be relied upon. It is hoped that enlisted men now en route will be available to take the place of several of these.

Forty-one student radio operators are in training in 6 different camps, 39 agent operators, 2 base station operators. Base station students are given call signs and frequencies of actual field stations working into headquarters base, and are required to submit at end of day complete copies of all traffic handled. Work has been very satisfactory.

Several groups are being held up on going into operations because of lack of equipment. It is hoped that, in the near future, some equipment may be received from our supply branch.

SERVICES and SUPPLIES

Present and forthcoming operations make increased supplies necessary. SOS Headquarters Advance Section #2, Chabua, has given magnificent cooperation.

101 estimate of supply requirements for 1944, 1945, has been completed, sent to Lieutenant Colonel Berno

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for forwarding to Washington. Although most items listed are available in the theater, many will have to be shipped from the States.

The procedure of receiving advance copies of lists of items requisitioned in Washington is most helpful, both to 101 and to Major Raiss in Calcutta.

Increasing numbers of personnel make increased subsistence expenses. Approximately 100 gurkhas agents have been added to the payroll during the month of April.

Commander Joseph P. Leete has recently completed a spot check of finances at 101 and has given the detachment/^aclean bill of health. Commander Leete will remain in the Far East, taking charge of finances for Detachments 101 and 202. The best interests of OSS require further clarification of the rights that may be extended to our employees and our liabilities in this connection.

XIII. OTHER BRANCHES

A. Field Photographic.

Lieutenant Guy Bolte reports that, during the past month, members of Unit #23 have been active at base headquarters in Nazira, at air strips at Chabua, Dinjan, Lalagnat, Hailakandi, General Stilwell's Advance Combat Headquarters in Burmese Hukawng Valley, General Merrill's marauders in Burma interior, at the advanced glider and C-47 strip, "Broadway", in Burma, and on a beach photographic reconnaissance mission by submarine out of Trincomalee, Ceylon.

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Lieutenant Bolte's brief description of recent film shipments suggests that Field Photographic's April activities have been particularly significant. They obtain detailed coverage of Colonel Cochrane's glider operation, landing of the gliders in Burma, wreckage of some at "Broadway", loading of mules on gliders, etc. They obtain probably the last pictures taken of General Wingate as he boarded the bomber which later crashed and killed him.

B. Training.

Training School at the end of April had 122 students, 26 of whom are radio trainees. Health standards in all camps are high. Courses in First Aid have been conducted, anti-malarial work has been continued, messes have been constantly inspected.

The School lost two instructors this month to Operations Section for field duty but four arrived from the States, so that training has been more adequate. With the addition of new non-commissioned officers en route, personnel problem will be greatly relieved.

XIV. WASHINGTON CONSIDERATIONS AFFECTING IOI

A problem not finally disposed of is that of equalizing the per diem of different Army personnel in the field. Present indications are that this problem will be considered primarily an Army, not an OSS, problem so that Special Funds will not be called upon to make up any differences.

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TOP SECRET**BB. Chungking - Operations Under the SACO Area****I. GENERAL**

A. Matters under SACO are in the same static condition that existed a month ago. Colonel Coughlin is of the opinion that General Tai Li will ask for Coughlin dismissal as OSS representative to SACO, in order to cover up the failure of SACO during the six months' trial period. This failure, Colonel Coughlin believes, is still due to Tai Li's lack of desire to carry on operations against the Japanese.

Colonel Hsiao, Tai Li's Washington representative, is now in Washington and is carrying on a series of conferences with different members of OSS on behalf of his superior.

Colonel Coughlin reports that activities would be furthered greatly if Washington could do the following:

- (1) Send copies of special reports, studies, pamphlets, and intelligence bulletins pertaining to this Theater;
- (2) Send maps here particularly large scale maps, of which there are few;
- (3) Inform us of any new techniques developed in other Theaters for sabotage, intelligence, or MO;
- (4) When new devices are developed, send a sample or at least a description with pictures;

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TOP SECRET**B. The Thai Group**

Colonel Kunjara, on February 29, took the first group of 5 men to the border for dispatch into Thailand. Each agent was equipped with a SSTR-1 transmitting and receiving set and a hand generator, a weather report chart and instruments for observing weather condition. The agents left for the frontier on the 13th of March. Each man was given 60 days to arrive at his final destination, and the base station at Szemao will listen for them every Monday from the first of May. If contact is made and it is possible for the agent to do so, regular schedules will be established. All agents were instructed that their primary job was pure intelligence and nothing else until otherwise notified.

Captain Nicol Smith also went part of the way on this trip and made connections with local generals and other influential personages in these localities who, he believes, will be of considerable aid to OSS in the future. He has established friendship with a General Lu, who has an intelligence staff in southern China, and with a Father Tong who is able to handle intelligence reports and dispatch them to our station at Szemao by courier. They will then be forwarded to Colonel Coughlin for use by General Chennault's Air Force.

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TOP SECRET**C. Meynier Group**

Coughlin's latest report summarizes the activities of the Meynier group and concludes that the returns from it are inadequate and do not justify the effort, expense, and assorted troubles. The Meynier group, itself, insists that troubles are due largely to the constant detailed orders sent by Colonel Emblanc. It is quite possible, says the report, that Colonel Emblanc has failed to inform Commander Meynier fully of general policy. The policy of the French Military Mission which Colonel Emblanc represents consists in preserving intact French rule of Indo-China. Commander Meynier, it is believed, desires Indo-China run with a preponderant degree of Annamite autonomy. Whatever the underlying causes, it is the opinion of the OSS representatives in China that the Meynier group has not provided adequate returns as a project and it is recommended that the group should come under the full authority and control of the representatives of the French National Committee in China.

Commodore Miles, of the Navy, is of the contrary opinion. He is strongly in support of Lt. Commander Meynier and equally opposed to Colonel Emblanc. In fact, it is possible that Colonel Emblanc may be recalled because the Generalissimo has indicated to General Petchkoff (the Free French representative) that Emblanc was "persona non grata". (This step was taken pursuant to the request of Commodore Miles via General Tai Li).

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II. SI Total personnel: 3 Army officers and 1 male civilian.

OSS has been assured that we shall take part in a special military mission to Shansi. We will supply an officer, a radio and an operator. Major Dow has been selected to undertake this mission, under the command of Colonel Drysdale, with the help of Colonel Barrett and Jack Service. The general purpose of this mission seems to be the collection of as much information as possible concerning the activities and future intentions of the Communist guerrilla forces in Upper China.

Major Tolstoy is in charge of an OSS mission through Northern China to conduct a survey of this region. He will determine prospects for extensive joint activities in behalf of the Chinese and OSS. Several technical personnel will assist him.

Little has been achieved in the plans for intelligence operations in occupied areas. Thus far only two points have been accepted by General Tai Li, namely (a) that there shall be established an advance base radio station, and (b) the use of a joint code.

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IV. R & A Total personnel: 1 Army officer and 1 Navy officer.

R & A work in the Chungking area has been greatly hampered by the lackadaisical attitude of Lieutenant Wiens'

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Chinese assistants. Lieutenant Wiens has been compiled information on puppet government personnel in Nanking and other areas of occupied China, and collecting other information having a direct or indirect bearing on enemy targets or enemy economic capabilities. His group obtained 145 separate items of information during the period covered by the last report.

Discussions have been held with General Tai Li who appears to approve a research program. Steps are being taken to improve the present flow of research materials.

V. CD

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VI. SO Total personnel: 5 Army officers.

VII. AIR ACTIVITIES

VIII. MO Total personnel: 2 Army officers.

Majors Little and Monroe have made a complete survey of MO potentialities in this theater. These men regard preparations for operations as excellent.

Specific operational plans are being prepared with priority to the Shanghai area. An agreement was reached by these representatives with General Tai Li and others on 23 April, and is being brought to Washington for approval. The main points dealt with the right (a) to maintain a separate SACO-MO Section Headquarters in the Valleys of Szu Chi K'ou, (b) to have American personnel

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at advance bases with Chinese, (c) to operate black radio stations together with Chinese in several provinces of north and south China, (d) to install and operate under Sino-American control printing and reproduction at Kweilin or Hawgyang, at Sian or Loyang, the right to install separate MO communications under Sino-American control, the right to MO communications by special SACO-MO codes between advance bases, and other items too numerous to mention.

Great delay is anticipated in the authorization by Washington of sufficient personnel and equipment for SACO-MO to initiate the large scale operations that are said to be possible.

IX. MU

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OTHER ACTIVITIES

XI. COMMUNICATIONS Total personnel: 2 Army Enlisted men.

In Chungking, we do not have our own communications under SACO, but use the Navy organization. In our initial intelligence program we will have one base station reporting to Chungking through the Navy net.

The communications network planned is 15 agents in occupied territory broadcasting back to a single base station. Agents will use SSTR-1 base station and SSTR-2, contacting both agents and Chungking.

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Major Faulkner has installed a 300-watt radio station in Kunming and plans to set up a second at Kweilin, both under AGFRTS. The Kunming station will have contact with our stations in India and Kweilin. The Kweilin station will work the advanced bases of AGFRTS.

XII. SUPPLIES

Captain MacCarthy, recently transferred from the Army Forces at Kunming, is 202 supplies officer. Requests have come into Washington for essential items such as typewriters, adding machines, jeeps.

Since the last report this detachment has received some miscellaneous items previously requested, such as watches, cigarette cases, cigarette lighters, lipstick, nylon stockings, fountain pens, pencils, and others, most welcome in forward areas where presents accomplish more than money. A steady supply of toilet articles and costume jewelry will help in making contacts and promote a cooperative spirit.

This detachment badly needs typewriters. It will need approximately 25 portables during the next year in order that forward bases may write their reports and do their administrative work with typewriters.

Ten 3/4-ton weapons carriers are requested for movement of supplies, 5 to be shipped as soon as possible, the other 5 to follow within the next few months.

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There should be no trouble in moving supplies from India to China since we have an allotment of 15 tons per month with promise that it will be increased when needed. This tonnage is in addition to that allotted SACO and will be used to bring supplies into AGFRTS.

XIII. OTHER BRANCHES

A. Field Photographic Unit Total personnel:
2 Navy Enlisted Men.

Sp(P)2C Hullibarger, the only OSS photographic man at Chungking, was ill for two weeks during March. The rest of the time he continued training the students in the intelligence school. CSp(P)(AA) Eastman, the other member of the photographic unit, is en route to a Navy camp in Northern China. No report has been received from him to date.

CC. Training - AGFRTS

Air Ground Forces Resources & Technical Staff has been approved by the Theater Commander and an order (General Order No. 36) was signed by the Deputy Chief of Staff of the Army Forces, China-Burma-India, on 26 April, authorizing a strength of 35 officers and 65 enlisted men assigned to the Commanding General, 14th Army Air Force. This was accomplished after considerable negotiation with General Sultan, John Davies (of OWI), Colonel Fenn (the Judge Advocate), Colonel Creswell (Theater G-2), Colonel Williams (A-2 14th Air Force), and Colonel Coughlin. All were strongly in favor of the plan except

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Colonel Creswell who acceded.

OSS is not mentioned specifically in the Order, but besides giving us an opportunity to do important work, this will provide a way of distributing intelligence secured through the 14th Air Force via our communications system to Ceylon, to be available for SEAC.

There was some discussion that AGFRIS constitutes an effort to do outside of the SACO agreement what has proved impossible to do within it. However, it was recognized that the information to be gained by AGFRIS is much needed. (See memorandum dated 24 April 1944, to Deputy Chief of Staff from Colonel Creswell, A.C. of S., G-2, of the Headquarters of the Army Forces, CBI). The memorandum to Colonel Coughlin from John Davies dated April 24, indicates that up to this time the weakness of our intelligence organization in China has been that it was second and third hand. This plan offers the best cover available, i.e., the 14th Air Force, in view of the fact that General Chennault and the Air Force are so popular with the Chinese.

Pursuant to the authorization by Headquarters, CBI, OSS Washington has authorized the transfer of 13 officers and 2 enlisted men from the 14th Air Force to OSS.

Blakemore and Lockwood continue to do extremely valuable work on target analysis, using their own skill

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as well as materials especially sent out by R & A in Washington. Although we have not had a report on the intelligence bases being set up throughout southern China, the assumption is that they are in process of development.

SEACI. GENERAL

This theater is still in process of reassembly at Ceylon. Orders for Colonel Heppner's assumption of command were put into effect May 1 and 9 branch chiefs were appointed on that date.

INTELLIGENCEII. SI

Dr. Dillon Ripley is Chief of SI--Ceylon. His relations with "P" Division continue to be of the best and early OSS operations at the request of "P" Division are expected.

We have had no news of recent developments in the DT plan, but reference is made in cables to the plan with the understanding that it is progressing.

Indonesians from Surinam are being recruited for SI work out of Ceylon and are being shipped straight to this area.

III. X-2

BH-001 reports excellent contacts with all British and American intelligence agents throughout the

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New Delhi area, the state of Assam, and Calcutta. He states that total personnel needed for India is 14.

IV. R & A

The move to Ceylon seems to have affected R & A more than any other branch. There is some question as to what will happen to the R & A Delhi office. Present plans indicate that there will be both an SEAC desk and a CBI desk, each acting as rear echelon for its respective theater. The New Delhi office has gone on with its work while these organizational problems are being solved. They have produced several hundred more file cards of notes with copies going to Kunming, Ceylon and Washington. Other duties have been lending assistance to the Army and other agencies, helping interrogate Japanese prisoners of war, microfilming some 2500 frames of Japanese and Burmese documents, purchasing books, newspapers and periodicals as part of the INDEC program, and forwarding needed material to further outposts.

Cora Dubois is at present the only R & A personnel in Ceylon. R & A is now working on northern Sumatra, Nicobar, and Andaman Islands for Lieutenant Fisher Howe of MU.

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TOP SECRET**VII. AIR ACTIVITIES**

Colonel Heppner has requested one Grumman Widgeon, two amphibious aircraft, and two Piper Cubs for communication between islands.

VIII. MQ

Mr. Scofield and Major Little have surveyed MQ needs in SEAC and recommended the dispatch of more personnel to this theater. Mr. Bateson, Lieutenant Bonamy, Mr. Hiss and Mr. Holliday are recent arrivals at 404.

A portable typewriter is being developed for the benefit of those who do not know Japanese.

IX. MU

Ensign Shepard is to bring his boats and crews to Ceylon for training and possible help in operations. At a conference with Colonel Coughlin, Colonel Heppner agreed that SEAC--MU operations should not proceed north of Rangoon.

Expectations for MU have bounded during the past month. Mr. Scribner has reported that Mountbatten expects OSS to furnish swimmers and that the British have had recent successes with swimmers which indicate great possibilities. Washington has recently obtained some remarkable surface craft,--3 Army aircraft rescue boats 85 feet long which can make 42 knots on high speed, and will cruise 2,000 miles. They will be sent, complete with trained Army crews, 2 in July and 2 in August.

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TOP SECRET**X. QG**

Major Peddicord has just returned to Ceylon to prepare the way for 6 officers and 34 enlisted men soon to follow.

OTHER ACTIVITIES**XI. COMMUNICATIONS****XII. SERVICES AND SUPPLIES**

Major Willis Bird was assigned as Services Officer for 404. He has set up mess and transportation facilities, established quarters for OSS personnel, and is constructing various camps and training areas.

XIII. OTHER BRANCHES**A. Field Photographic**

Lieutenant Kenneth Pier is assigned at present to 404 from which he will conduct a photographic mission already described in the part of this report dealing with 101.

B. R & D

Major Sam G. Lucy is branch chief of R & D at 404 and is making a survey of special needs.

XIV. WASHINGTON CONSIDERATIONS AFFECTING THE FIELD

In order to prevent different members of OSS making overlapping requests to Army warehouses, Major Raiss has recently been put in charge of OSS activities at Calcutta.

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TOP SECRETCOMMUNICATIONS BRANCH
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Total personnel in this branch is now 1131, of which 729 are on duty overseas and 232 are in training or transit or requested for overseas duty. Personnel in all overseas theaters increased about 7%. This is a decline since last month because now the tables of organization of the various theaters are nearly filled. The exception to this downward trend is FETO where there was an increase of 28%.

The major items of equipment shipped by the Branch during the month of April were 132 ESTR-1 portable field sets, 300 solid fuel generators and 1,594 receivers (RBZ sets) for dropping to resistance groups in Europe prior to invasion.

The grand total of SSTR-1 portable field sets shipped to all theaters reached 1,098 and RBZ receivers reached 3,075. There was a drop of 50% delivery of equipment shipped to all theaters because theater commander approval was late, and the allotment of space on ships was small. Much of the heavy equipment for base stations, moreover, had already been shipped.

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FIELD PHOTOGRAPHIC BRANCH

APRIL REPORT

During the month of April a total of 71 sound and still camera crews were used in the production of motion pictures for OSS and other agencies. A total of 7 motion pictures were completed and 14 others were in various stages of editing.

The films completed during the month included:

1. SSTR-1, Italian narration - for OSS Communications.
2. Fighting knife - for OSS Schools & Training.
3. Fighting knife, Greek - for OSS Schools & Training.
4. Coal from New Zealand - for New Zealand Legation.
5. Campbell project - for OSS.
6. Middle East, ONI - for Middle East, ONI.
7. Battle stations - for U.S. Coast Guard.

There are at the present time units of the Field Photographic Branch in Washington, Hollywood, Brazil, London and in the China-Burma-India area.

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The motion picture laboratory handled 598,588 ft. of 35mm film and 51,365 ft. of 16mm film. The number of camera crews employed in the Metropolitan Area were 8 and outside the Metropolitan Area 4. There were also 14 still camera crews actively employed in this period.

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The Iconography Section has made arrangements for making iconoscopes and gyroscopes amounting to 30 of each. The new Development and Shop Section has accomplished a considerable amount of work during April: they completed 15 folding tripod stands for miniature cameras for SI, built some iconoscopes for the Army and developed and built several adapter rings for 35 mm cameras that will allow the taking of photographs through the periscope of a submarine.

HOLLYWOOD Personnel: 1 officer and 5 men.

The Hollywood unit continues its work for the Office of Scientific Research and Development and the new Joint Weapon Committee which are continuing a series of highly secret experiments dealing with rocket development. A total of 46 motion pictures have been completed and distributed by this unit in April. These pictures are distributed to the Joint Chiefs of Staff and all theater commanders thus keeping them abreast of new developments.

BRAZIL Personnel: 2 officers and 6 men

It is planned to make 16 or 17 short subjects on Brazil, of which the first completed was "The City of Sao Paulo". One man is in New York writing and editing the series. The photography on this series is due to be completed on July 1st.

LONDON - (Additional material not covered in Monthly Report, ETO)

Shooting on the Central Command script is in its

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final phases and it is anticipated that all location work will be finished by April 25th.

The writer and camera crews are at work assembling necessary data for a picture requested for SI on German communications and small tactical German maneuvers. Requests for documentation of the Sussex plan has been given to the Photographic Branch from Lt. Col. Miller.

Request that Field Photographic Branch make a picture depicting British four-men submarines now being used in the delivery of agents and equipment in occupied countries is being acted upon.

Commander Ford has arrived in London and will take charge of photographing U. S. Navy in the impending invasion. Two Navy men of the Photographic Branch have been awarded the Air Medal by the U. S. Navy.

MEDITERRANEAN THEATRE Personnel: 3 men

One photographer has been sent to the Balkans. Two others have completed work on a picture for MO dealing with the training of agents.

CHINA

Covered in Report on FEIC.

BURMA-INDIA

Approximately 20,000 ft. of motion picture film has been received in Washington.

Three pictures are in various stages of editing including: (1) Eifler's report, (2) Preview of Assam, (3) Behind the Lines in Burma.

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The balance of this discussion concerning this theater is covered in the report on FETO.

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 FOREIGN NATIONALITIES BRANCH
 REPORT FOR APRIL

1. The work of the Foreign Nationalities Branch includes a variety of field studies of the Foreign Nationality groups, their activities and the Foreign Language Press:

- a) Foreign Nationality Group Meetings. A total of 34 group meetings were attended during the month of April of which the greatest number dealt with Hungarian, Ukrainian, Free German, Polish, Italian and other Balkan organizations.
- b) Situation Reports on Foreign Political Activities and Reports from Field Representatives. A total of 127 Situation reports were prepared dealing particularly with Middle East countries and other groups under German hegemony. There were also reports from Field Representatives totaling 150, the largest number of which dealt with German, Polish, Yugoslav, Italian, Hungarian, Spanish and other groups.
- c) Foreign Language Press Readings. 903 reports were received based upon the reading of foreign language newspapers. Particular attention was devoted to the editorials and comment appearing in the foreign language press concerning the meeting of the International Labor Organization, the proposal of a United States of Europe sponsored by New York

University's Research Seminar for European Federation, various plans for a Balkan federation, the progress of Finnish peace negotiations, and the progress of Rumanian peace negotiations.

2. There were also a series of reports submitted by the Foreign Nationalities Branch during the month of March. These were distributed within OSS, to ONI, MIS, State, Justice, Censorship, etc.:

#179, Polish Pressure Campaign
Takes Form

#181, Foreign Nationalities Assess
Soviet Autonomy Move

S-93, Talks with Alexander Kerensky

S-94, British Honor for Admiral
Sakellariou

S-95, Mihailovich Staff Officer
Interview, Yugoslav Embassy

#185, Greek Politics in the United
States

B-188, Yugoslav Notes

S-99, Canadian Ambassador's Appraisal
of Soviet Policy

B-190, The Kravchenko Incident in the
Foreign-Language Press

S-100, Polish Official's Views on
Polish Propaganda

B-180, Austria-in-Exile Still Becalmed

#181, Second Conference of Italia Libre
in Santiago

S-92, Archduke Otto on the Hungarian Crisis

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B-182, Soviet-Czechoslovak Pact
Stirs Slovak-American Community,
and Attachment

#182, Volksfront or Isolation?

B-184, Revival of Italian Nationalism
in the Once Pro-Fascist Italian Press

B-186, Hungarian-Language Press on the
Occupation of Hungary

S-96, Tibor Eckhardt on Hungarian
Crisis

B-187, Italian-American Opinion on
Collaboration

S-98, Sturzo Refutes Freemasonry
Charge Against Sforza

B-191, American Hungarian Federation
Prepares for Action

B-185, Middle Eastern Problems in
Arab-American Mirror

#188, Indalecio Prieto in New York

B-189, Tricolore, Andre Labarthe's
American Venture

B-183, The Non-Bolshevik Left Fore-
gathers

S-97, British Journalist Address,
Advanced Institute, Princeton, 16 April

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SUMMARY OF R & A BRANCH
REPORT FOR APRIL

1. Current Intelligence Staff.

The normal activities of the Current Intelligence Staff were continued consisting of contributions of text material and special articles to the JIC Weekly Summary and the Daily Intelligence Summary. No reports were issued in the Current Intelligence Series during the month. The P.W. Weekly was discontinued on 28 April with Colonel Buxton's approval. In its stead a less highly interpretive Political Intelligence Weekly has been proposed and will appear when reproduction difficulties are solved.

2. Map Division.

The Map Division accepted requests for 102 maps and 60 maps were completed.

The requests for maps were broken down as follows:

OSS	55
(divided as follows:)	
JISPS	22
CAD, War Dept... ..	8
Others	25
Joint Chiefs of Staff	35
Office of Naval Intelligence	8
War Department	4

Total	102

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The volume of work may be illustrated by the following figures:

Requests for Maps	793
Map Disbursements	9,497 titles and 65,213 sheets.

Principal distributees outside OSS were the Combined Chiefs of Staff, The Joint Chiefs of Staff, War Department, Navy Department, Foreign Economic Administration, Department of State, and J.I.S.P.B.

Topographic Models:

Requested 10, including 2 new models
Completed 11, including 3 new models
In Progress 29, including 18 new models

In addition, 64 requests were received by the Special Photography Section for 285 titles and 66,202 prints as follows:

Chiefs of Staff	20
OSS	24
Presentation Division	2
Army Air Forces	7
War Department	1
Navy Department	4
Coordinator of Inter-American Affairs ...	1
Archives - War Department Division	2
Combined Chiefs of Staff	3

3. Europe-Africa Division

The greater part of the work of the division was concentrated on the preparation of approximately two-thirds of the seventy guides for German military government for the Civil Affairs Division. The remaining studies were the responsibility of FEA.

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The following studies were undertaken during the month: (1) experiences of the RAF and USAAF in the reduction of military capabilities by bombardment, (2) analysis of contribution which Europe may make to the prosecution of the war in the Far East and (3) study of the work of the Enemy Objectives Unit and PR (Princess Risborough - photographic interpretation) (R&A/London) seeking to emphasize importance of parallel operations in the Far East.

Geographic

Studies were completed on (1) Important Railroad Communications Centers in France, (2) Topography and logistics of possible defense lines in the East, (3) compilation of information on Mediterranean beaches and airfields for the Navy Department.

Political

In addition to regular situation reports, the following studies were completed:

Balkan Section, the political effects of air raids in Bulgaria, Roumania, and Hungary.

Central European Section, German pre-invasion morale, and political attitudes of the Roman Catholic Church.

Italian Section, the Italian Social Republic, and background on Humbert of Savoie

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4. Far East Division

At Kunming target selection work continues for the 14th Air Force, and an expansion of work for the ACFTRG.

In Washington Joint Chiefs of Staff work grows in importance, four JIC drafts were completed, and four Joint Army Navy Intelligence Service (JANIS) studies are in process.

The division is hampered in its work by lack of military slots. Two geographers will be lost to the Navy. Economists are needed to service General Chennault and CAD work is badly hampered because most of the men with necessary Japanese language training are in uniform and no slots are available. Recommendation: 14 slots for Naval Officers for Central and Southwest Pacific, six for Honolulu, three for Southwest Pacific, five for Washington to support these outposts.

5. Latin American Division

A State Department commitment of 34,000 man hours precludes undertaking any new work at least until next Fall.

6. USSR Division

Work continues on CAD postwar problems in addition to a new project undertaken for Mr. Donald Nelson on Post-War Economic Developments of the USSR, scheduled to be completed about the middle of May. Other important studies are being undertaken.

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7. Interdepartmental Committee and Central Information Division.

Although active during April no developments of significance occurred.

8. Commendations.

a. Mr. Charles Rayner of the State Department expressed verbally to Mr. Walter Levy the gratitude of Secretary Hull for the work done in preparation for the Anglo-American oil policy meetings.

b. The Intelligence Branch, OCSigO, gave enthusiastic thanks for the statistical maps of telecommunications facilities prepared within the Geographic Subdivision, as did the Central European Section of MID.

c. The report "Burma Situation Report No. 1" prepared by Lt. Stelle and Lt. Mandelbaum of our R & A staff in New Delhi was praised by Major General Lamplough, Director of Intelligence in SEAC.

d. Quotation from Donald Nelson's letter to Dr. Langer dated 31 March, below:

"Following certain detailed conversations between members of your staff and mine, and in view of the particularly excellent summary of Russian war production which you prepared for me at the time of my trip to Russia last autumn, I would like to ask you to undertake through your USSR Division the preparation of a report on the economic capabilities and requirements of post-war Russia, with particular emphasis on potential U.S.--USSR exchange of goods and services."

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A-3. 35 men.

Used for OG training.

A-4. 91 students.

Classes reduced by removal of basic training program to Area A-2. Paramilitary training course of three weeks unchanged.

A-5. 20 students.

The personnel in training at Area D were transferred here when that area was closed. It is now a combination finishing and holding area for SO personnel.

Area C. 193 students and trainees.

Since Area M was closed, there has been an increase in personnel at Area C. Communications training is given here for Communication Branch personnel and undercover students from other branches. Three-day and four-day problems in the field have been established.

Area D. Closed.

Area E. 74 students.

A basic course attended by personnel from SI, SO, and X-2 branches. Several new courses added including Order of Battle, Basic Information, and Basic Reporting.

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Area F. 25 MO students and 76 OG trainees.

MO course continued in this area, and OG trainees were given preliminary training before going to Area A-3. Ford, Bacon and Davis continued to work here.

Area RTU-11 27 students.

Intelligence finishing course.

Area S. 244 candidates.

As a result of dividing the classes into three day and one day groups the staff found it difficult to operate effectively. Plans have been made to set up a separate evaluation area in Washington early in May to take care of those who could be evaluated in one day.

areas WP and WA. 44 students (at WP only)

The new course of training includes (1) an assessment school, (2) at WP, a basic course in conditioning, small arms, field craft, water training, swimming, etc. (A minimum standard of physical condition and proficiency is required of each student and an individual evaluation at the end of the training.), (3) at WA there is to be a general unified OSS course stressing the Far East, followed for each student by advance intensive training for one specific branch of OSS.

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During April a new Maritime special underwater swimming group was recruited largely from Coast Guard personnel. At the end of four to six weeks they will be transferred from Camp WP (Camp Pendelton) to Camp WA on Catalina Island for the balance of their training.

At the present time there are no students at Camp WA and the Navy complement has been materially reduced through withdrawals by the Maritime Unit. Recently a number of Coast Guard Officers have been attached to this camp.

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SECURITY BRANCH
REPORT FOR APRIL

The total of completed security investigations during the month of April fell to 679, but 942 new cases were initiated so that the number of pending cases rose to 641, a rise over March but a favorable position compared to recent months.

In view of the reduced allotment the rise in requests is being investigated in an effort to determine whether or not a significant number of cases are being investigated without genuine interest on the part of the branches.

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**APRIL MONTHLY REPORT OF CARGO STATUS,
FOR SERVICES BRANCH**

<u>THEATER</u>	<u>COMPLETED APRIL</u>			<u>% TOTAL FOR APRIL</u>		
	<u>NO</u>	<u>WEIGHT</u>	<u>VOLUME</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>WEIGHT</u>	<u>VOLUME</u>
EUROPEAN	86	853,594	23,422.4	34.82	52.98	28.70
FAR EAST	55	560,118	49,562.4	22.27	34.76	60.74
MIDDLE EAST	38	40,148	2,551.0	15.38	02.49	03.13
NORTH AFRICA	52	149,864	5,719.0	21.05	09.30	07.01
MISC.	16	7,680	350.3	06.48	00.47	00.42
TOTALS:	247	1,611,404	81,605.1	100.00	100.00	100.00
CANCELED	16					
TOTALS:	263	1,611,404	81,605.1	100.00	100.00	100.00

	<u>COMPLETED MARCH</u>			<u>COMPLETED JAN & FEB</u>		
	<u>NO</u>	<u>WEIGHT</u>	<u>VOLUME</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>WEIGHT</u>	<u>VOLUME</u>
EUROPEAN	87	810,913	27,410.0	119	724,651	124,090.0
FAR EAST	52	758,755	57,311.1	77	341,435	24,773.2
MIDDLE EAST	42	27,958	3,001.0	53	131,601	5,051.0
NORTH AFRICA	46	106,190	3,225.5	50	140,868	6,159.6
MISC	32	61,553	3,975.8	21	99,215	5,459.0
TOTALS:	259	1,765,369	94,923.4	320	1,437,770	165,532.8

CURRENT SHIPMENTS

	<u>CURRENT APRIL 30</u>	<u>CURRENT MARCH 31</u>	<u>CURRENT FEBRUARY 29</u>
	<u>NO</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>NO</u>
EUROPEAN	99	32	67
FAR EAST	169	66	63
MIDDLE EAST	51	31	54
NORTH AFRICA	82	54	38
MISC	20	18	30
TOTALS:	421	201	252

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<u>THEATER</u>	<u>NO.</u>	<u>WEIGHT</u>	<u>VOLUME</u>
EUROPEAN	292	2,389,158	174,922.4
FAR EAST	184	1,660,308	131,646.7
<u>MIDDLE EAST</u>	155	199,707	10,603.0
NORTH AFRICA	148	396,922	15,104.1
MISC	<u>69</u>	<u>168,448</u>	<u>9,785.1</u>
TOTALS:	826	4,814,543	342,061.3

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