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REPORT ON OSS ACTIVITIES

FOR THE MONTH OF JULY 1944

1. A number of innovations have been made in the manner of preparing, arranging and publishing the monthly report of OSS activities.

2. The main sections of the report, covering the European, Mediterranean and Far East theaters, have been prepared by the respective theater officers, and are included herein with brief notes by the undersigned on the tab-sheets indicating what are believed to be the outstanding points in each of the sections.

3. The section of the report on the activities of the branches in Washington has been replaced by a copy of the memorandum prepared in this office to accompany the monthly report of the branches to the Director. That memorandum is designed to cover all of the important points which were formerly included in the section of this report devoted to the activities of the branches in Washington.

4. The following changes have been made in the arrangement of the report:

a. The four parts of FETO, viz. Det. 101, SACO, AGFRTS and SEAC, are now separately tabbed.

b. The Personnel section, formerly at the beginning of the report, has been designated Appendix A.

c. The pagination has been changed so that the arabic numerals will begin to run from the first

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page of the ETO section. Roman numerals are used for the table of contents and the summary, which precede the rest of the report.

5. The various sections of this report are now distributed as they are completed, instead of awaiting completion and assembly of the entire report. The first section to be forwarded during the month is enclosed in a loose-leaf binder, and all subsequent sections are tabbed, numbered and punched for insertion therein.

6. Materials concerning X-2/MEDTO were received by the Mediterranean Theater Office subsequent to the preparation of its report, but since that time a two-page addendum has been prepared and may be found at the end of this report. (pp. 112, 113.)

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SUMMARY OF OSS ACTIVITIES

DURING JULY 1944

During the second month of fighting on the Normandy beachhead, which reached its climax with the break-through at Avranches near the end of July, OSS agents were increasingly active inside what has been termed the hollow shell of German strength in France. Anticipating drives into the interior from both north and south, a rising flow of messages on the enemy's situation was directed to the Allied headquarters, while men and materials in redoubled numbers were sent in to maintain and build up the striking power of the French Resistance.

The improvement in the volume of intelligence from northern France was attributable not only to the elimination of the serious communications bottleneck (see June report pp. 6, 13), but also to the actual growth of agent traffic from the field. SHAEF once more took occasion to commend the usefulness of OSS intelligence, which served, among other purposes, as the basis of a number of aerial operations. The Air Forces were similarly aided by intelligence coming from southern France in greater volume than ever. An outstanding accomplishment was the penetration of Eisenbahn Direction in Bordeaux, affording timely access to official German reports on railroad movements in southwestern France. However, the teams based in Spain were beset by a variety of troubles

and failed to measure up to the performance of the other intelligence networks.

Ceaseless sabotage of German communications was reported by operational elements in France. A notable OG exploit was the destruction of a 500-foot bridge over the Rhone, blocking the river as well as the highway and severing power lines. In several areas SO agents directing and working with Resistance groups noted signs that the FFI were becoming stronger than the enemy occupational forces. In other sections, however, it was feared that restive Maquis groups had placed themselves in danger of annihilation by emerging into open combat on a larger scale than available weapons could support. With aerial supply thus more essential than ever, deliveries from England exceeded the total tonnage dropped in the entire first half of 1944, aided by a record-breaking mission flown on Bastille Day by 320 B-17s of the Eighth Air Force.

Introduction of agents from England approximately doubled the numbers of OSS/ETO personnel behind German lines. Even with one Sussex (SI) team broken up by the enemy, OSS had 21 of those teams in the field at the end of the month. To form a link with intelligence chains in southern France, four Proust teams were placed in areas south of the Loire. Established teams in southern France were joined by a number of agents and radio operators. On the operational side 14 Jedburgh

teams and one OG unit were sent into France from England, while six Jedburgh and two OG teams moved in from the south.

On the beachhead, field staffs of the SI, X-2 and SO branches landed with the Third Army early in the month, and similar field staffs were represented in the forward echelons of FUSAG. The X-2/SCI unit with the First Army operated effectively against espionage agents infiltrated into Cherbourg by sea.

OSS was affected by a major organizational change which placed four sections of SFHQ under the direct control of General Koenig, commander of the FFI. Although the effect of this shift was not immediately evident, there were misgivings that it would create new administrative complexities.

As yet there was no substantial penetration of the other occupied countries of western Europe or of Germany itself. However, teams had been trained and were ready for dispatch into Germany and Scandinavia during August. Supplies were dropped into Norway, for the first time during the daylight season, in a series of flights by six B-24s under the command of Col. Bernt Balchen of ATC.

In Italy as in France, the Allied armies had the help of intelligence teams and native resistance groups in enemy-held territory. Three new SI teams were infiltrated and supplies were dropped to the Patriot bands in quantities outweighing the combined totals of the first six months of this year. A

few miles behind the front, the San Marco battalion, operating under the control of MU, came ashore from the Adriatic and blasted the coastal highway at an important point. MO teams in the battle zone crossed the German lines to post and disperse propaganda materials. X-2 was still engaged in gathering and exploiting the wealth of information yielded by the arrests made upon the capture of Rome. X-2/SCI units were formed for the Seventh Army and for northern Italy, and the rest of X-2/Italy was likewise constituted an SCI unit and placed under AAI for operations.

Activity in the Balkans during July was maintained at previous levels. Most action was centered in Greece, where an SO team destroyed a bridge and a truck-load of Germans, an OG patrol joined the Andartes in beating off a strong German attack, and an MO team distributed subversive materials in several cities. There was a heavy flow of intelligence from Greece, devoted largely to enemy shipping but including information on battle order and political developments. In Albania SI appeared to be making headway again, as one reconstituted team made contact with LNC (National Liberation Movement) while another team, previously evacuated, was reinfiltrated.

Preparations for future developments in the Balkans and central Europe were perhaps more significant than the actual operations during July. From Istanbul one agent was dispatched to Rumania and another to Bulgaria with the aim of organizing intelligence networks in those countries. It was expected,

once the long-planned independent U.S. mission (see May report pp. 8,9,28; June report p.38) proceeded to Marshal Tito's headquarters, that the way would be clear for the penetration of Hungary and Czechoslovakia. An SO team was ready for dispatch into Chetnik territory to arrange an aerial pick-up of a large number of stranded USAAF personnel.

In Asia, where the war was not proceeding so well as it was in Europe, OSS units operated in face of divers difficulties. The most formidable adversities were encountered in China, as the continued Japanese advance brought frequent aerial bombardments and a slump in native morale. In this situation the members of the AGFRTS organization, both American and Chinese, maintained the highest standards of devotion to duty. One Chinese agent, captured by the enemy, was tortured and finally beheaded without having uttered a word to impair the security of the chain.

AGFRTS proved its usefulness to the 14th Air Force in various ways. On the basis of tactical intelligence provided by AGFRTS, Japanese columns and coastal shipping were successfully attacked. A number of U.S. pilots were aided in returning to friendly units, and technical personnel examined the wrecks of Japanese aircraft. MO found itself engaged in the reverse of its normal functions, apprising the Chinese of the true military situation as an emetic for the false optimism with which the Japs had poisoned their morale. Both AGFRTS and Det. 202, operating in China under the SACO Agreement, dispatched MO agents to the Canton area.

Despite the monsoon in Burma, Det. 101 set up a new air warning network, delivered 155 tons of supplies by air and rescued the crew of a B-25 by means of a liaison plane. In addition Det. 101 killed 259 Japs and took 26 prisoners.

In Ceylon the main problems of OSS/SEAC concerned the British and the Dutch. Although prisoners taken in Ripley I (see June report pp. 9,79) had given much useful information and were willing to serve under OSS, Admiral Helfrich asserted that the Dutch had a prior claim to the use of those natives because they had been taken in the East Indies. The question remained unsettled at the end of July.

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Note by Reports Officer

The following points stand out in the report prepared by the European Theater Office:

a. Shortage of supplies caused by unexpectedly large Resistance activities (pp. 3,26,27).

b. Air drop to FFI by 320 B-17s (pp. 3,24-26).

c. French operating sections of SFHQ placed under control of General Koenig (pp. 7-9).

d. Commendation from SHAEF for Sussex intelligence (pp. 4,9).

e. Elimination of communications bottleneck between SI in France and Headquarters in London (pp. 4,11).

f. Proust agents to connect intelligence teams in southern France with forces in north (pp. 4,11).

g. First air drop to Norway (p. 24).

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EUROPEAN THEATER OF OPERATIONS REPORT

JULY 1944

During July OSS further expanded and consolidated its activities in support of the military operations inaugurated in Western Europe the previous month. At the end of the month, almost one hundred representatives of OSS Branches were operating behind the enemy lines in France. SO, SI and X-2 Field Staffs, already in France with the First Army during June, accompanied the Third Army to the Continent in early July. Moreover, representatives from each of these Branches formed part of the advance echelons of FUSAG (since renamed the Twelfth Army Group) as it went to the continent. SO, SI, and X-2 had already attached liaison officers to the 21st Army Group in June.

Resistance Groups Surmount Growing Opposition

In spite of growing opposition from enemy forces, French Resistance Groups continued to accomplish widespread sabotage of enemy transport and communications. Perhaps of greater importance during July was the growth of powerful forces which freed and held large areas of central and southern France. By the first of August, the FFI were in possession of large areas of the Departments of Seine-et-Loire, Alpes Maritime and Isere, close to the Italian border. In Brittany they had

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assumed partial control of Cote du Nord and Morbihan; General Patton publicly commended the resistance forces for their "invaluable aid" in freeing the peninsula.

The enemy diverted aircraft, paratroops, light armor, and artillery in an effort to wipe out these Forces Francaises d'Interieur. Altogether, parts of four or five divisions were employed by the enemy in this task. Though failing to accomplish their objective, heavy reprisals were taken against a number of small towns in the central and southern area. Such towns as Serignac, in the Department of Finistere in Brittany were completely wiped out; areas of Aisne, Seine et Marne and Oise were looted and sacked ruthlessly.

The role of the SO Branch in organising, directing, and participating in these Resistance activities steadily expanded during the month. At 1 August SO had 59 representatives in France, some 41 (an increase of 6 during the month) were agents working with the various French Resistance Chains. A further 13 were Jedburgh officers and W/T operators infiltrated behind enemy lines for special liaison and operational missions. The first French OG Group was dispatched from ETO to the Haute Vienne area on 31 July, but because of adverse weather conditions only 5 out of 18 officers and EM reached their destination that day. (The others were to go in early August.)

The extent and effectiveness of Resistance operations as a part of general military activities in France had not been

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foreseen by SHAEF. As a result, the supplies available and the means for transporting them have been inadequate as compared with the demands from the Field. Nevertheless, SFHQ pushed to the limit all supply resources at its command in an effort to get a maximum into the field. American planes dropped a total of 8,974 containers and 3,064 packages during the month. Some 3,840 containers were delivered to 7 target areas on 14 July when 320 Flying Fortresses of the 8th U.S. AAF engaged in the largest single operation yet undertaken. The bomber group of 57 Liberators assigned to OSS carried 8,914 containers and 3,034 packages in a total of 881 sorties for a new monthly record. Our packing station (which was initially established to pack 2,600 containers monthly) turned out 13,387 containers.

Another accomplishment of the Resistance Groups, not fully appreciated prior to its realization was a flow of operational intelligence organized by the Groups. Under leadership of SFHQ officers, Resistance representatives were exfiltrated from behind the enemy lines. One SO agent sent out some 31 Frenchmen to provide much valuable information which was channeled to G-2 through the SI Field Staffs.

Increased Flow of SI Intelligence from the Field

The SI Branch increased its agents in France to 52, an addition of 7 during July (42 were Sussex and 10 were Proust). This expansion, along with a larger volume of reports from the

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Field resulted in a growth of intelligence traffic through Station Victor of about 20% each week.

The Communications bottleneck between the SI Field Staffs and the Base in England, which proved a serious limiting factor during June, was removed with the addition of further operating personnel at Station Victor. The resulting growth in the volume of intelligence reaching G-2 was recognized in a letter of commendation from General Betts, Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, SHAEF, commenting on the accuracy and usefulness of the SI messages being sent in by Sussex agents.

Of considerable longer-run importance was the infiltration of 4 Proust agents south of the Loire. It will be the task of these agents, among other assignments, to obtain and relay to ETO information gathered by agent chains organized and operating under the direction of SI at Algiers and Madrid. It is hoped in this way that the substantial intelligence resources SI possesses in these southern areas of France can be brought to bear on the informational needs of Allied military authorities in Northern France.

SCI Units of the X-2 Branch continued not only to support SI and SO activities through interrogation of agents and Resistance representatives from a counter-espionage point of view, but they cooperated also with the Army Counter-Intelligence in coping successfully with a number of enemy espionage attempts in the zone reoccupied by Allied forces. An SCI Unit operating in the Cherbourg area was particularly successful. The inter-

dependence of the various X-2 Missions in Europe was effectively illustrated by the successful apprehension of an enemy agent in Cherbourg as a result of information provided by Lisbon. In a like manner, an enemy agent attempting an entrance to England from South America was apprehended on the basis of information from X-2 in Sweden.

Inauguration of Independent Black Propaganda Operations in ETO.

The MO Branch received its long-awaited Directive from PW SHAEF authorizing it to prepare and disseminate black propaganda within ETO. The Directive further provided that MO train and utilize agents in enemy, enemy-controlled, and neutral countries. MO already had in preparation black publications for distribution within France and Germans, principally to the enemy military forces. In addition to developing further these publications, leaflets were prepared and forwarded to Sweden for distribution in Finland.

MO Contribution to Psychological Warfare in France.

The PWD Unit attached to the First Army achieved considerable success in June and early July when, through the use of public address systems on sound trucks, a number of Germans were persuaded to surrender in the Bayeux area and later 600 Germans yielded to similar persuasion and surrendered from the Cherbourg Arsenal. Three MO men (Captain Dolan, and Messrs. Kaven and Sommeripenka) were largely responsible for this operation. The equipment used had also been contributed by the MO Branch.

Use of PT Boats for OSS Ferrying Service to Continent.

The three PT boats which had been returned by OSS to the Navy on May were reassigned on 7 July. These boats had been used for a clandestine intelligence operation in June. After assignment in July, however, they were operated under the direction of Maritime Branch for ferrying personnel, equipment, and supplies from Great Britain to the Continent. A regular ferry service was established with trips being made Tuesdays and Fridays.

Through efforts of the Security Branch, the procedure for OSS personnel gaining entrance to the Continent was much simplified. OSS civilians no longer need go outside of the organization to obtain the necessary authority and credentials to enter France from Great Britain.

Organizational Changes.

Two organizational changes of considerable importance took place during the month. The first of these was inaugurated within OSS and involved a reorganization of the SI Branch. The various servicing and technical functions were placed under a number of separate sections; such as Recruiting, Training, Operations (support of Field Staffs), Liaison, Administration, Field Area Administration, and Registry. These sections all support three principal operating divisions; the Continental Division (sub-divided into sections), the Labor Division, and the Reports Division. A separate Plans Section was also established.

All of these sections and divisions work in support of the SI Detachments stationed with Army Headquarters and Army Group Headquarters. In addition, however, the Operating Divisions are engaged in planning and developing a longer range intelligence service in Europe. Each of the country sections thus has the two-fold responsibility of supporting current military operations and of organizing a strategic intelligence network for use in the post-hostilities period.

French Assume Control over Resistance.

On 31 July, SHAEF issued a Directive which changed considerably the form of control over French Resistance activity. In June, General Koenig, the FCNL representative with General Eisenhower, was placed in charge of French Resistance activity. However, General Koenig's control was exercised entirely through SFHQ. No change was made in SFHQ Headquarters, and General Koenig implemented his control by Directives to SFHQ.

The French were not satisfied with this form of control and General Koenig requested that the machinery of command be transferred to him as well as the actual command. This was difficult to accomplish without considerable loss of efficiency since the "servicing" side of SFHQ (including Communications and Supply facilities) were designed to assist not only French Resistance but Resistance elements in other countries of Western Europe. The effective utilization of these service facilities required the establishment of priorities, and once the French operating

sections of SFHQ were placed under the command of an Authority separate from the Authority controlling other areas and the important servicing facilities, a number of exceedingly difficult administrative problems were likely to arise.

Notwithstanding these complex administrative difficulties, SHAEF on 31 July directed that a British Deputy and an American Deputy be appointed to General Koenig and that the following sections of SFHQ be placed under the direct control of General Koenig:

a. FRENCH (F and RF) Section

b. Special Force detachments with Army Groups and Armies. Their relationships with Army Group and Army Staff will remain unchanged.

c. Relevant elements of Forward Planning (ADM) Section (which also carries out air support duties).

d. Special Air Service Brigade Liaison Section.

These four sections represent the units actually responsible for directing operations of French Resistance Groups from SFHQ.

In addition, this new Staff of General Koenig is given facilities for direct liaison with the servicing sections of SFHQ.

With the exception of the four sections enumerated above, the remaining parts of SFHQ continue under joint SO/SOE control.

The full significance of this change was, of course, not apparent at the first of August. General Koenig and his staff were to be housed with SFHQ. Under the circumstances, it was possible that the shift might largely be a paper one. Much would

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depend on the rapidity with which France was freed over the next several months, since the French were in no position to contribute necessary management and operating personnel to the new Headquarters. Only over a period of some months could such personnel be located, trained, and utilized effectively in the new organization. Meanwhile, it fell to SO and SOE to continue the real direction and support of the French Resistance from ETO.

INTELLIGENCE

II. SI

Total personnel 396 including 143 civilians.

Increased SI support of continental military activities operated more smoothly during July with improvement in communications and a heavier volume of intelligence from the field. Recognition of SI's value in the field was apparent in various reports received at Headquarters, London. A letter dated July 27 from Brig. General T. J. Betts, D/A C of C, G-2 commends SI Sussex intelligence as highly accurate and useful. Statements from other sources, indicating that several air operations had been based on SI intelligence, further pointed to the high quality of SI information.

Additional field staffs in France since June were: The SI 3rd Army Unit, and the advanced echelon of SI/FUSAG Unit; both were established on the continent by July 14th. In addition, Labor Division representatives were attached to the 1st and 3rd Armies and to FUSAG. To date these Labor representatives have

sent in valuable information and satisfactory reports as to labor contacts established.

Direct military support to the SI field teams attached to the 1st and 3rd Armies and FUSAG was provided by SI agents in accordance with:

1. Sussex Plan. (This plan was devised to provide an intelligence service in support of Allied military operations on the continent.)

During the first two weeks of July, 4 successful Sussex operations were carried out; 2 of them Pathfinder missions and 2 accomplished in conjunction with SOE to reception committees furnished by the BCRA. By August 1st, 21 American Sussex teams were operating in the field - a 22nd was dissolved through the arrest of its observer but the radio operator is safe with another team. Three hundred and sixteen messages were received in July from Sussex agents at Station Victor, 219 of which were intelligence. Eight more teams are available in the UK, 2 of them ready for dispatch during the August moon period. SHAEF has been requested to furnish 10 more points, both British and American.

2. Proust Plan. (This plan provides for a pool of agents to assist field intelligence in France during continental operations.)

By July 15 there were 4 separate Proust missions in France, known as Monkey, Giraffe, Voyageur and Midiron. Contact

has not yet been made with Monkey; Giraffe is the only one which has sent in military information. Four of the 6 agents designated for Midiron are in place - the other 2 were slated for dispatch late in July. (The Midiron mission calls for the establishing of 6 agents in 5 localities south of the Loire river for purposes of tying in with existant French networks operating under direction of Algiers and Madrid. In this manner, these networks can furnish information needed for military operations in the West.) The remaining 29 students in the Proust pool are in training at Area E awaiting assignment.

Summary: A total of 29 American Sussex and Proust intelligence teams have now been dispatched to the Continent from ETO, 13 of them leaving during the first two weeks in July. Nineteen of these teams have been heard from; 421 messages have been received, 297 of which have been intelligence.

3. Other Projects.

a. Varlin Mission. (Designed to send men with labor contacts into France to work with Resistance Groups.)

A few days prior to July 7, Henri (Assiette), the W/T replacement for the man killed in February, was safely dispatched to the Paris sector.

b. Robal Project. (Designed to establish a land line across France to the German border for passage of communications and infiltration of bodies into Germany.)

A pathfinder for this mission was successfully dropped during the first two weeks in July. Two agents are being prepared for dispatch in the next moon period to be received by the Pathfinder.

c. ~~PK Mission.~~ (A joint project with SOE labor union contacts in the Ruhr and Southwest Germany and to obtain intelligence from Germany.)

The PK Mission is scheduled for dispatch in the next moon and, if successful, will represent the first direct penetration of Germany from the UK to be carried out by OSS.

d. Faust B. (~~The plan provides~~ for the penetration of men with labor backgrounds into Germany.)

A general allocation and assignment to projects has been made for all the Faust personnel; the training program at Milwaukee is being focused on the special assignments for each man. Teams are being prepared for introduction into Germany between now and October 1st.

e. Eagle Project. (A joint operation with the Poles, and SOE, patterned roughly on the Sussex Plan, for the penetration of Germany for tactical and strategic intelligence immediately before, during, and after the collapse of Germany.)

This project evolved out of early July discussions and followed a decision to recruit and train Poles formerly impressed in the German army or Todt organizations and now held as prisoners of war. In conjunction with Polish

military authorities in the UK it was decided to screen the P/Ws, train 20 as W/T operators, 20 as agents. Recruiting is underway; training is to consist of a five weeks course at an SOE para-military training center in Scotland.

f. Danish Projects.

On July 11, the Danish Section was established as a separate country section of the continental division (see below). Two projects have been approved:

1) Bacon is a plan to infiltrate an agent, of Danish nationality, into southeast Germany. The operator recruited is currently in training.

2) Grieg is a plan involving 4 agents and 2 additional nationals to be recruited in Denmark, to organize an SI Intelligence Service in that country upon its liberation.

A Danish SHAEF mission is also in the process of being prepared.

g. Projected Missions.

1) Jambon. (To put a W/T operator in contact with a moving team of informants from a well constituted network close to the battle zone.)

2) FFI. (To put an American intelligence officer into French FFI headquarters in France to study and coordinate intelligence on the spot.)

3) Belgian. Steps have been taken towards a mission to be attached to SHAEF and to have contact in the field with the Belgian Military Mission.

h. SI Liaison with Other Intelligence Organizations

Satisfactory liaison and discussions have continued with the Dutch Secret Intelligence Service. Talks are still being held with Czechoslovak Intelligence Service in regard to the Falcon project. The Doble project, involving organization of Czech soldiers in southern France is being developed in conjunction with Madrid, and negotiations are underway for personnel for the Gypsy project, the Labor Desk plan for Czech penetration. The Kent plan, a joint SI/SIS project for the penetration of Germany, has been dropped. (This was to be a German Sussex Plan. The British SIS disapproved it. No reason has been given.)

SI Organizational Changes.

Continental Division

Details of the reorganization of SI were given in the introduction of this review. Of the various units, the operating control center is the Continental Division. The purpose of this division is:

a. To obtain from all sources and correlate secret intelligence by espionage in advance areas on the continent of Europe;

b. To formulate specific projects for securing secret intelligence by espionage in advance areas on the continent, including recruiting, training, equipment and briefing of agent personnel;

c. To maintain liaison with the secret intelligence agencies of Allied governments for the purpose of obtaining promptly intelligence from these sources and for securing operational intelligence necessary for effective liaison.

SI Plans for German Collapse

In order to be prepared for a possible early collapse of the Third Reich, a committee has been formed by the Chief of the SI Branch to draft necessary plans. Chairman of the committee is the Plans Officer, SI Branch; its members are: Chief, Labor Division, and Major Louis Dups, Operations officer. Several meetings and one exploratory conversation with SHAEF have been held to date on the drawing up of an "Emergency Plan for Intelligence Operations within Germany in Anticipation of the Imminent Collapse of the Third Reich".

III. X-2

Total Personnel 112 including 36 civilians.

1. SCI Units.

Since June 30, the 31 X-2/SCI Unit has successfully coped with a number of enemy espionage operations. The advance echelon of this unit has been in France since D + 4, the rear echelon since July. The 54 X-2/SCI Unit attached to the 3rd Army has been operational on the continent since July 9.

The following also went to the continent: The 62 X-2/SCI Unit, attached to SHAEF, on July 10; the X-2/SCI officer attached to 21st Army Group D/Five Unit, with part of such unit; the CO X-2/SCI units and the X-2, London, Branch Chief, conducting a

general survey.

On July 17 the 17 X-2/SCI unit was activated and will possibly be attached to the 9th Army. The 69 X-2/SCI unit, to be attached to AFHQ, is in process of being mounted.

The X-2 field unit in Italy, is now officially attached to the Allied Armies in Italy with the designation SCI/Z. Control of this unit is exercised from London insofar as information and CE source material are concerned. Experience gained from the work of this unit continues to be vital in the training of SCI personnel for Western Front operations.

Communications from field to headquarters are reported in need of improvement, particularly those relating to deception projects.

The most outstanding achievements of July are those of the 31 X-2/SCI Unit in coping with enemy espionage operations in Normandy. One of these operations involved a group of 3 low-grade agents; another involved a group of 2. The agents were originally of the same enemy operational group and were sent by sea to Cherbourg for espionage and sabotage purposes. In conjunction with a double agent in Lisbon, the same unit was also responsible for the apprehension of a high-grade enemy agent.

2. Relations with Corresponding U.S. and Allied Agencies in the Field.

a. U.S.

Effective July 1, the commanding officer, X-2/SCI Units, was appointed X-2 liaison officer to General Eisenhower's political adviser, William Phillips, former

ambassador to Italy. This will effect closer liaison between X-2 and the State Department and Civil Affairs.

b. Allies

Subsequent to a request from the Swedish Intelligence Service, X-2's Stockholm Station has been authorized to enter into direct contact with the Swedish service. Relationships with the Norwegian CE Service are close with anticipation of X-2 representation with any such group returning to Norway.

Contact has been established with two members of the Danish Intelligence Service who are turning over to X-2 CE information in their possession.

5. Future Plans.

Each geographic Desk and Division, London, is preparing plans for future and long-range operations in its area, including not only matters relating to functions and estimates of the requisite personnel but details of actual implementation insofar as this is possible at the present time.

IV. RESEARCH AND ANALYSIS BRANCH

Total Personnel 205 including 119 civilians.

Outlets for the work of the Research and Analysis Branch in ETO continued to develop rapidly during July. In order not to dissipate the Branch energies in too many directions, the Chief of the Branch formulated a work program designed toward a maximum contribution of R&A intelligence to bodies responsible

for formulating military and political policy within ETO. Complete and satisfactory arrangements with the more important of these policy bodies so that they look upon R&A as one of their principal research staffs had not been made at month's end. However, steady progress toward this goal was realized. Moreover, R&A continued to expand its servicing of other OSS branches; information was made available for SI and SO Field Staffs on the Continent, biographical data was developed for the X-2 Branch, and contributions were made to SFHQ. The more detailed work of the various divisions of the Branch can be summarized as follows:

Political Division

1. Civil Affairs. Additional chapters for the SHAEF German handbook have been completed. Further personnel have been attached to G-5/SHAEF.

The Austrian sub-section has undertaken the review and revision of part of the Austrian Country Unit Handbook.

2. Psychological Warfare. The Political Division continued active in its joint operation of Duty Rooms with PWE. Work in these rooms consists of appraising reports received from PWB/SHAEF, circulating a daily intelligence report on France (circulation of which increased from 30 to 140 in July), preparation of background reports and answering spot queries. Three members of the staff are working for PWD/SHAEF, and R&A personnel are attached to the PWD/3rd Army and PWD/FUSAG in the capacity of evaluating officers.

5. Political Interpretation. The Division continued its contributions of articles for the European Political Report, Political Reporting for Washington and the Outposts, and RA/L reports for dissemination in ETO and Washington. Valuable work has been done this month in direct coverage of developments and tendencies in European Political affairs as they are reflected in London.

Economics Division

Military Intelligence. (All members of this division are participating in a British-American effort to develop a more satisfactory answer to the German use of the "secret weapon".) Units continuing their projects as of June report are:

a. Enemy Objectives Unit. Air Force Targets.

b. General Intelligence Unit. German military production.

c. Princess Risborough Unit. German production losses through bombing and target vulneravility studies.

d. Air Ministry Unit. Capabilities of the German Air Force.

Economic Division

Civil Affairs. The Relief and Rehabilitation Section has devoted one third of its man-hours to the Combined Working Party on Civilian Food Requirements in European Countries, and a good deal of effort towards its joint projects undertaken with UNRRA.

Geography and Map Divisions

In addition to its previous projects, the Geography Division has undertaken two new tasks: An investigation of topographic intelligence targets in France and a series of desk assignments on problems which will be of particular interest to R&A geographers

in London and Washington during the next few months.

The Map Division has entered into an agreement with the Director of Camouflage, Ministry of Home Security, for the purpose of making models to the specifications required by SO. The Director of Camouflage will prepare three of four models and will accept up to six Map Division employees on assignment for training and work. About fifty maps prepared by the Division were delivered to Prime Minister Churchill.

Far Eastern Staff. Interest has centered this month on discussions of the Joint Committee for Collection of Far Eastern Data. R&A is establishing relations with this committee via X-2 who have been obtaining material from insurance files for R&A and other agencies.

Central Information Division. The Intelligence Procurement Unit of this Division, which was set up last month for purposes of providing liaison in the Intelligence Procurement field with various British and American organizations, has moved to establish new contacts with MI, MIS, CWI, OWI.

V. RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT BRANCH (R&D) - AND - CENSORSHIP DOCUMENTS BRANCH (CD)

1. R&D

Total Personnel 21 including 1 civilian.

R&D's operational program got under way this month with the supplying of 300 rubber stamps and numerous photostats of documents to CD. Complete facilities and information necessary

for photographing operatives for documents are in operation and four operatives have been so supplied.

Further organization of R&D's program in ETO includes acquiring access to all paper stocks in the United Kingdom and the services of competent technical laboratories. Arrangements have been made for housing the branch at 70 Brook St. and stocks of civilian clothing for equipping agents in the field have been transferred there. A tailor has been added to the staff.

2. CD

Total Personnel 8 including 4 civilians.

CD's concrete achievements this month include preparing necessary sets of documents for four individuals. (This was done in cooperation with BCRA during a visit of Comdr. Turnbull to the 1st Army Det. on the continent July 20th through 24th.) In addition, rubber stamps and black documents were prepared and filled out for SO and for SI in conjunction with BCRA.

A continental section at the advanced echelon OSS base in France is anticipated and facilities will also be established for the collection of blank German documents and document intelligence.

VI. SPECIAL OPERATIONS BRANCH

Total Personnel 764 including 39 civilians.

As indicated in the Introduction, SO lent vigorous support to the direction and support of French Resistance Groups. Support of Resistance in other Western European areas was also undertaken, though on a smaller scale, during the month. Moreover,

planning for SO penetration of Germany from ETO and from other areas was stepped up. It was evident, however, that a sudden withdrawal from France would leave SO unprepared for immediate activity in Central Europe insofar as such activity had to be based on ETO.

Support of French Resistance Groups

The great scope and high value of French Resistance operations has been described in the opening paragraphs of this report. A brief statement was also presented there of the direction and support the SO Branch was affording these activities of the Resistance. A somewhat more detailed account is presented below:

1. SO Agents Other than Jedburghs

At the end of July, 41 SO agents were in France, 6 having been infiltrated during July. As in previous months, these agents carried on liaison between SFHQ and the Resistance Groups, afforded essential leadership in the field, and helped organize and expand both new and old Groups. One SO agent was reported missing during the month; ETOUSA authorized another, now in the field, to accept the Croix de Guerre, with palm, from the French authorities. Part of a July 23rd report from a third agent indicates on a small scale what is happening in numerous vicinities all over France today. (Since June 7 to July 23) "16 rail cuts, 8 trains derailed, 4 railroad bridges, telephones kept out, cables and exhanges useless, 80 Germans killed, 54 wounded. Our losses, 9 killed, 3 tortured, then killed."

2. Jedburgh. (This plan involves the introduction of teams including radio operators to work with French Resistance after D-day.)

At the month's end there were 24 Jedburgh teams operative on the continent as against the 4 at the end of June. Of these 17 were sent into the field from the UK, 7 from Algiers; 11 of them have American personnel, totalling 15 Americans in all. Sixty-six additional teams are trained and ready for dispatch, 48 in the UK and 18 in Algiers.

Reports coming in from Jedburgh teams in the field in July foreshadowed the spectacular mass uprisings in France of August, uprisings in which the agents have played an unpublicized but large part. On the 30th of July a team in Central Western France reported 4 battalions organized and under their control, with 2 hospitals and 4 doctors available for use. A team in Brittany sent in numerous targets for bombing, one of them a chateau being used as a German headquarters. Another group in Central France, after organizing thousands of Partisans, reported a pitched battle with the Germans, unsatisfactory from the team's point of view - the Germans retreated before they were annihilated.

3. Anvil Operation. Discussions were inaugurated with representatives from Algiers in regard to the coordination of resistance in the south of France with that in the North. Lt. Col. Bartlett of SO, SHAEF, was placed in charge of a field staff to be located with the American 7th Army in South France.

SF Detachments

Following changes have taken place: #4 SF Detachment to accompany 7th Army Hdq. when operation Anvil is placed into effect; #10 SF Detachment now operational on the continent; #11 SF Detachment to the continent, members of the staff attached to 3rd Army; #12 SF Detachment, preparations for an early move to the continent.

Supplies

1. Washington was kept informed on the SHAEF directive described above which resulted in a considerable change in the form of administration of the supply and support of French resistance.

2. Air Operations

Activities of the Air Operations section relevant to supplying Resistance Groups in France almost doubled in intensity in July; 8,914 containers were dropped over France as against the 4,024 of June. Of the year's total of 15,782 containers supplied the French, over half were thus dropped in July. The first drops ever made over Norway during the daylight season were also undertaken when six Liberators under Colonel Bernt Balchon of the ATC made four flights over that country, dropping a total of 46 containers and 25 packages to Resistance Groups. (See chart on following page.)

The most ambitious single mission to date took place on the morning of July 14 when 320 Flying Fortresses of the 8th USAAF dropped 3,840 containers of supplies to Resistance

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June 1944	France	Belgium	Denmark	Norway	Total
Sorties (successful or unsuccessful)	223	19	0	0	242
Bodies	43	2	0	0	45
Containers	4,024	36	0	0	4,060
Packages	745	7	0	0	752
Tot.tonnage supplied to RGs	480	4	0	0	484
A/C missing	1	1	0	0	2

July 1944	France	Belgium	Denmark	Norway	Total
Sorties (successful or unsuccessful)	581	4	0	5	590
Bodies	64	3	0	0	67
Containers	8,914	12	0	48	8,974
Packages	3,034	5	0	25	3,064
Tot.tonnage supplied to RGs	1,132¼	1½	0	6½	1,140¼
A/C missing	4	0	0	0	4

Totals 1944	France	Belgium	Denmark	Norway	Total
Sorties (Successful or unsuccessful)	1,233	93	2	13	1,341
Bodies	146	13	0	0	159
Containers	15,782	500	0	96	16,378
Packages	5,412	125	0	34	5,571
Tot.tonnage supplied to RGs	2,006¼	61	0	12¼	2,079½
A/C Missing	10*	4	1	0	16*

* 2 missing in practice

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Groups at seven target areas within occupied France. On the night of July 6/7, an unarmed, unarmored C-47 delivered 10 people in a Maquis area and remained 48 hours before returning (with eleven persons, two of them shot-down American flyers) to England.

3. Shortage of Supplies

The scale of French Resistance activities has been such that the consumption of supplies was heavier during June and July than had been foreseen. As a result, an acute shortage of supplies at the SFHQ Packing Stations developed. A plan was under consideration providing that SO and SOE furnish equal amounts of supplies for packing and delivery. Heretofore SOE has made available a much larger volume of supplies than has SO, although some of the SOE material has been furnished through American Lend-Lease. For example, in the first six months supplies delivered to French Resistance Groups furnished from British sources totalled 3,107 tons, whereas those procured through OSS totalled only 232 tons. Of course, American planes have delivered a large number of supplies furnished through SOE. Thus, in the first six months American planes delivered 689 tons to French Resistance Groups whereas British planes delivered 2450 tons. During the final month of this period (June 1944) American planes delivered 490 tons while British planes delivered 482 tons.

The OSS Packing Station worked at peak capacity during July, packing some 13,386 containers. The excellence of this record is highlighted when it is remembered that the present

personnel were recruited to pack an estimated 2,600 containers monthly.

At the end of the month the OSS Packing Station had on hand a reserve of 4,641 containers. With large scale operations such as those detailed above, this reserve was considered relatively small.

Other Projects

1. Westfield Mission. (This mission, based in Sweden, is designed to develop contacts with Resistance Groups in Norway, Denmark, possibly Germany.)

During July, Westfield was given complete directives.

The German Section of Westfield has two projects under way: the Norwegian Section completed all plans for a northern operations code to be known as Sepals and Perianth. A Danish project is also contemplated, following a month in which resistance has developed strongly in Denmark. Under SOE/SO 7 officers, 1 W/T operator are in training and will be dispatched shortly.

2. Central European Section

Plans are being developed to send agents into Austria via a Yugoslav Partisan channel.

OGs

1. Norwegian

Part of a Norwegian OG Section was dispatched successfully on July 31 when 1 officer and 4 men were dropped over a Maquis area in the Haute Vienne. Approval was given this operation by

the Commanding General, 12th Army Group. Owing to bad weather the remaining officer and 8 men of the section could not be dropped, but were scheduled for re-dispatch August 2.

Another Norwegian OG Section is being held for a possible operation (for which approval was received from Scottish Command) in Norway.

2. Polish

These 2 groups are continuing intensive training at STS 63.

3. French

As of 1 August there were 8 officers and 58 EM in ETO. The problem of obtaining extra parachute pay for French OGs remains a major one.

VII. MO

Total Personnel 158 including 92 civilians.

Achievements

1. In Normandy.

The success of the MO unit in capturing Germans of the Cherbourg arsenal - thus proving in the field the value of psychological warfare - has already been indicated. Altogether, the unit's achievements under Captain Patrick Dolan include: the capture of 1200 Germans; preparation, by means of a mobile printing unit, of tactical leaflets which were fired by artillery; the printing and distributing of news in Cherbourg three days after its fall and the reopening of its movie theaters on the 4th of July.

2. SHAEF Directive.

On 13 July, Brigadier General Robert McClure, PWD-SHAEF, signed a directive authorizing MO to prepare and disseminate black propaganda and to use agents in enemy, enemy-controlled, and neutral countries.

Result. MO is now the sole agent responsible for its black propaganda and will have much more freedom of action than in the past. Three leaflets have already been shipped for distribution in Finland.

In accordance with the directive, projected plans include using Allied agents to distribute printed material behind enemy lines, dropping material behind enemy lines, dropping material from aircraft, and obtaining cooperation for these purposes from the FFI, SFHQ, PWE, G-2 and other agencies.

MO Field Unit to France. Purpose - to recruit and train agents in the field to infiltrate enemy lines and distribute propaganda.

Organizational Changes.

MO work has been departmentalized into four sections.

a. Radio. In July MO has contributed an hour a night to PWE broadcasts.

b. German Desk. Twenty-eight projects - leaflets, magazines - have been completed in July.

c. French Desk. This desk is preparing a regular news and information leaflet for use of the 21st Army Group. In addition it translates into French all German leaflets to be distributed by FFI.

d. Other Languages. Two leaflets in Russian, one in Polish, have been prepared for distribution via the Maquis.

VIII. MA

Total Personnel 11 including 1 civilian.

1. "A" Operations.

An open ferrying service for the transfer of OSS personnel and equipment has been inaugurated, made possible by the assignment early this month of three PT boats for temporary duty to OSS. These will be based at Dartmouth, Area "S", and will be under the direction of Lt. Comdr. Guest. Arrangements have also been made for the occasional use for OSS clandestine and open ferrying operations of other ELCO PTs in Squadron 123.

Six special cross-channel trips have so far been carried out; hereafter PT transportation is to be regularly available on Tuesdays and Fridays.

2. "B" Operations.

In accordance with decisions reached at the end of last month, the swimming group has been discontinued and has returned to the U.S. with its essential equipment. All remaining equipment has been turned over to Services, London, to be placed on their inventory for distribution. Area "N" has been closed down.

Maritime Branch ETOUSA will in the future concentrate on Maritime Ferrying Operations using PTs. The staff is at Area "S".

IX. COMMUNICATIONS

Total personnel 510 including 12 civilians.

Communications facilities have improved substantially in July, with fewer garbles in agent traffic and quicker service to the various branches. The number of messages handled by stations Victor and Charles almost doubled that of June. The Third Army

Signals Detachment is now functioning on the continent; arrangements have been completed to supply SO, SI and X-2 staffs at FUSAG with their own communications as soon as they're required.

1. Station Victor.

A record number of messages for all Sussex and special agents worked by Victor has been established in July; contact has been made with 8 new agents in the field. In all, 100 contacts and 125 messages, totalling 5,866 groups were worked from the agents active on the continent.

Four new rhombic antennas have been designed and installed at the receiving site; Masthead lighting is being installed. A two-day training exercise was held between the FUSAG Detachment and Victor.

2. Station Charles.

Charles is accommodating new Jedburgh committments - a total of 275 messages, totalling 15,399 groups handled on this for SO in July. Altogether SO communications through Charles totalled 170 in, 227 out messages, 26,869 groups in all.

It was expected that by the end of July, the entire building program of an extensive radio communications installation would be completed. Plans for a 5-station system have been worked out to monitor 10 positions (in order to speed up agent traffic). In addition, Charles reports improved Norwegian traffic. A training exercise "Carrot" was held with SF Units of FUSAG.

3. Message Center.

Secret Sigtot equipment on the new circuit with Algiers

is now in operation at Baker Street, manned by Communications personnel.

Reorganization is under way concerning the handling of traffic cipher work closer to the point of reception and transmission.

4. Continental Communications Base

Plans are being worked out for setting up a communications base on the continent.

X. FIELD PHOTOGRAPHIC

Total personnel 47 including 7 civilians.

1. The number 1 priority assignment of Field Photographic at present is a documentation of OSS activities. Planned to consume the entire activities of the Branch for the next six months, work during July has been devoted to photographing activities of the SO Branch, including coverage of Area "H" (SO packing station), Milton Hall (training center of Jedburgh teams), and Harrington Airfield (base for the 57 Liberators assigned to OSS). In connection with this documentary, as well as for intelligence purposes, Commander Ford is planning to take a crew of seven men to the Cherbourg peninsula shortly to photograph German installations.

2. Invasion Coverage for SHAEF

The committment to SHAEF, which originally included coverage of invasion activities up to D + 60, has been fulfilled, with the exception of a secret, high priority project, at present being handled by one photographer. All other Field Photographic

personnel has been withdrawn, although the branch is still processing and handling, through Theater "A", material photographed by the Coast Guard and U.S. Navy Combat photo units.

3. Other Projects.

The Coastal Command film is being finished in Washington. Screened on July 4th for high ranking officers of the RAF and Coastal Command, it was well received in its rough form. Welfreighter Project, photographed at the request of SO, has been completed. Recognition of German Uniforms and Equipment is nearing completion.

XI. SECURITY

Total Personnel 14 including 5 civilians.

A major activity of this branch in July has been planning and preparation for servicing OSS in the anticipated advance detachments with the Allied armies on the continent.

Contain travel arrangements have been completed in July. An OSS directive governing travel for individuals and small parties going to the continent was set up, and an amendment of existing travel control procedure cleared through G-2, SHAEF, (providing that OSS civilian personnel be sent to the field without clearing with the field authorities). A new system was also set up whereby all persons travelling from ETO are to be briefed by the Security Office in compliance with security, censorship and customs regulations before receiving travel orders.

The UK entrance visa clearance system is now functioning successfully. (As set up in June this is a procedure whereby the

the Security Office ETO will forward directly to the British Home Office all visa applications.)

XII. SERVICES

Total personnel 426 including 73 civilians.

No Services report for July had been received at the time of submission of this report. However, as of July 9th, Services reports an OSS personnel total in ETO of 2,914. On instructions from Washington, civilian personnel, excluding agents, on the Special Funds payroll now to receive living allowances on a scale with that permitted Civil Service personnel.

Changes

Effective July 15, Special Funds Branch was activated and separated from the Services Branch.

OSS FORM 4001a

Date 5 Sept. 1944

To: Col. Doering

1. Attached hereto is the MEDTO section of the OSS Activities Report for July 1944, prepared for insertion in the loose leaf binder forwarded with the ETO section 31 August 1944.

2. The FETO section, together with the Summary, Table of Contents, and all appendices, will be forwarded at an early date, likewise prepared for insertion in the loose leaf binder.

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M E D T O

Note by Reports Officer

1. The report prepared by the Mediterranean Theater Office contains the following items of outstanding interest:

a. Official German reports on train movements in Southwestern France obtained through contact with Eisenbahn Direction. (pp. 38,39).

b. Difficulties of Spanish Desk. (pp. 40,41).

c. Intelligence agents dispatched to Rumania and Bulgaria (pp. 46,47); preparation for penetration of Hungary and Czechoslovakia (p. 49).

d. Destruction of Mache River bridge by OGs (p. 54).

e. Combat employment of MO teams in Italy. (p. 52).

2. It will be noted that the X-2 section (p. 48) states merely that no reports have been received from that branch. As soon as the necessary information becomes available, the Mediterranean Theater Office will prepare an X-2 section as an addendum to the month's report.

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26 May 1945

This section removed and sent to

Lt. Col. Norman L. Newhouse, 2677th Regiment.

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DETACHMENT 101

Note by Reports Officer

The report prepared by the Far East Theater Office contains the following outstanding points:

a. Detachment 101 killed 229 Japs, took 26 prisoners (p. 57.)

b. 9 air warning stations set up in Burma (p. 57,58.)

c. Air-drops and air crew rescue (pp. 59,60.)

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FAR EAST THEATER OFFICE

REPORT

JULY, 1944

DETACHMENT 101

I. General

Total personnel:	Army officers	81	
	Army enlisted men	175	
	Navy officers	10	
	Navy enlisted men	21	
	Civilians	1	288

Every man at Detachment 101 is proud of the honor received by the publication of the addendum to General George C. Marshall's report.

Our intelligence network is conforming with General Stilwell's request to charter every move made by Japanese troops in north and north central Burma. We are operating in three areas. Area 1 extends east of the Irrawaddy River, south through Bhamo and east to China border. Area 2 extends west from the Irrawaddy to the railway line and south to Mandalay. Area 3 extends west from the railway line to the Chindwin River. This month OSS groups have killed 259 of the enemy, captured 26. One agent led a regiment of the 38th Division on a flanking movement on Mogaung. Nine air warning stations have been set up in strategic points of Burma. They

will help allied fighters intercept raids by Japanese zeros. A Citations and Promotions Board has been established to make recommendations for citations and promotions. An organizational chart has been prepared and a copy is attached to the 101 Report. Chief needs are 10 clerks, special photographic supplies, truck drivers, motor mechanics, and MO officer. We suggest that in the future special groups passing through 101 be supplied from Washington. We were not able to fully equip the Tolstoy mission.

II. R & A Army officer, 1

This month R & A continued preparation of a 101 intelligence file, interviewed visitors and personnel returning from the field, processed information requests and map orders. R & A staff believes that 101 has possibilities for an almost perfect research program for information on Burma. Clerks, typists, file recorders, and map and aerial photograph men are needed.

III. SO	Army officers,	52	
	Army enlisted men,	44	96

Although July is a month of rain, mud, high water, floods, washed out roads and bad flying weather, all SO

activities have continued at Area 1. Major Joost is in command, having replaced Commander Luce. Base headquarters is at Sadon to which the unit is now moving. Captain LaZumTang has started for the Sinlumkabla Hill tracts where 2,000 locals are ready to join us. American and 101 trained personnel now in the field is considerably reduced. Patrols from Area 1 have killed 126 Japanese, most of whom were coming down the river on rafts.

Area 2 headquarters will be at Tailum, 20 miles southwest of Myitkyina where some 750 of our Kachins are already gathered. Ambushing and patroling, they have killed 110 of the enemy.

Area 3 headquarters is still at Singaling Hkamti. OSS forces are divided into three groups, all of which are moving southward.

On June 30 the last daylight search was made for a group known as HATE. A search of an hour and fifteen minutes observation from a B-25 brought no results. An overland search is planned.

IV. Air Activities

Air activities have increased during July. Sixty C-47's and 4 B-25's dropped 310,000 pounds. A crew of a

B-25 shot down near Myitkyina was rescued and flown out by Sgt. K. T. Anderson. Because of the short runway needed, the L-1 type plane has proven the best for this rescue work and for placing key men into the field.

V. MO Army enlisted men, 1

Morale operations consisted of the circulating of numerous rumors requested from the field and by the weekly SITREPS from Washington. Our officers and agents have requested a leaflet on the theme "Who Is Your Enemy?" which OWI has agreed to print for us to distribute. Students and new personnel going into the field are now given lectures on the value and possible uses of MO. Lt. Colonel Peers has requested an MO officer for 101. It is suggested that sitreps from Washington to 101 be confined to situations applicable in this territory.

VI. Communications	Army officers	8	
	Army enlisted men	87	
	Navy	3	96

New communications setup will consist of one forward base station which will contact three sub-base stations in the field. These sub-base stations, in turn, will have a number of forward or agent stations report to them. If any of the three sub-base stations become inoperative, the

forward base can take over the net and continue to contact agents. During July some important base stations joined 101 by adopting Army frequencies and call signs authorized by the theater signal office in Delhi upon request and for convenience of stations concerned. These include Calcutta, Chittagong, Kunming and 101. Since November, 1943, 101 has had a special network for the convenience of the Air Corps. It reports weather twice daily and also all unidentified enemy planes so that fighter action can be taken. A similar new net totaling 9 stations is supplanting this one and will improve upon it by rendering aid over an arc of 200 miles, many of the stations observing from behind lines. The monthly total of traffic groups was 210,000. The entire shop is looking forward to receiving the modified SSTR-1.

VII. Supplies

Warehouses at Naxira and Chabua are bulging with supplies to meet our increased operations. It is emphasized that the stock increase is only to meet demands from the field and that requests from newly arrived personnel or missions cannot always be honored. Appended is a list of supplies for which fastest water delivery is requested.

VIII. Services Army officers, 3; Enlisted men, 9 -- 12

OSS in "Calcutta" has forwarded with the CBI monthly

report a list of all personnel at Calcutta and all transit personnel, a record of all shipments made and received, and a record of total expenditures.

IX. Other Branches

A. Medical Services Army officer, 1;
Enlisted men, 13 14

"A" Camp has been turned temporarily into an infirmary where there are 14 patients, most of them malaria cases. Lack of space has forced some patients to be discharged in 7 days instead of 10. Campaigns have been inaugurated to control malaria, our most serious menace. A distinct asset to our guerrilla operations has been medical care given to native troops and to natives befriending our troops. Everyone is looking forward to the 50-bed hospital at the base, a hospital unit for which is en route from Washington.

B. Special Funds

Expenses continue to rise with expanding operations. Principal expenses of Detachment 101 for the month of July were as follows:

Salaries of agents and employees	about Rs.	100,000
Supplies and Equipment	" "	100,000
Subsistence supplies	" "	20,000
Cash for secret operations	" "	140,000

This branch is functioning smoothly.

C. Schools and Training

Progress continues satisfactorily. The orientation course for American personnel has proven its worth and is being expanded. During this month the School completed the training of 5 general students for operational duty. In the future agent students will be segregated in school camps according to nationality. Attached to the CBI monthly report is a copy of the training schedule.

D. R & D

Month of July was devoted to establishing laboratory facilities to carrying on short term projects. Relations with U. S. and allied agencies have been good. This branch has assisted the staff at 101 in revising demolitions and mine courses, giving advice on little-known service equipment, such as rifle grenades and AT rockets for sabotage and anti-personnel work, and assisted in obtaining special service equipment. Numerous projects are pending which will be undertaken when personnel and facilities are available.

E. Field Photographic

Army officers	2	
Navy	8	10

Indications are that a thorough photographic record of all major activities from 101 is being produced by this branch. Operations of our light plane squadron, the siege

of Myitkyina from ground and air, reorganization of agent groups prior to departure from new stations behind enemy lines, the trek of Major Joost's headquarters company from Kwitu to -ima and all operations from Myitkyina, including patrols, prisoner interviews, agent group movements, aerial drops, evacuation of wounded and rescue work by light planes, are all being photographed.

F. Security Army officers, 2

This branch has made several investigations and has inspected camps at detachment headquarters and branch installations at Dibrugarh, Dinjan, Chaulkhoa and Jorhat. Security was found to be good.

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Note by Reports Officer

The following points are outstanding in the report prepared by the Far East Theater Office:

a. Need for full performance of OSS share of SACO (p. 65.)

b. MO agent dispatched for area of Canton, Chungshan and Macao (p. 67.)

c. Improvement in quality of reports from Bureau of Investigation (p. 65.)

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FAR EAST THEATER OFFICE

REPORT

JULY, 1944

SACO

I. General

The arrival of permanent AGFRTS personnel and of Mr. Christian in Chungking emphasizes anew the necessity for full performance of OSS' part in SACO. Relations with the Chinese are such that OSS must take the initiative, particularly in improving the position of OSS in relation to the U. S. Naval group in dealing with Chinese in SACO.

INTELLIGENCE

II. SI

Captain Hykes is moving his advance base to Kienyang, where he will train SI and SO groups. Volume of intelligence reports received from the Bureau of Investigation has increased from 110 in June to 145 in July. There has been some improvement in quality. On July 23 a new class was started for 16 new agents recruited by the Chinese. They are of high calibre and will be fully qualified in 10 days when they will set out for Captain Hykes' advance base. Mr.

Pearson of Standard-Vacuum is cooperating by giving us names of possible trustworthy agents.

The French group continues to furnish us information occasionally. All but two of the Thai group are in enemy territory en route to Thailand. As yet, none has sent any message.

III. R & A Army officer, 1; Navy officer, 1 -- 2

Volume of enemy publications increased over June, totaling 399 pieces in July. One well-qualified man has reported for training as an R & A agent, and others are expected this week. During July SACO R & A reports 1, 2, and 3 were completed, some 150 basic notes referring to enemy industry were typed and mailed, advance documents forwarded and other OSS branches served. Chief need: Two enlisted men typists, and advance office supplies.

OPERATIONS

IV. SO Army officers, 8; Army enlisted men, 1 -- 9

The SO operational group, with the exception of Major Dow, is in Kweilin. It is hoped that effective operations will be expedited by a conference with General Wai Li.

VIII. MO Army officers, 2; Navy officer, 1 -- 3

Radio monitoring during July suffered because of time out for set repairs and a lack of sufficient electric

power to operate the OSS unit in the Valley. On July 18, our agent for the area including Canton, Chungshan and Macao was dispatched. He was briefed onall aspects of MO with special emphasis on how to confuse the enemy. He will establish a printing plant and prepare to distribute printed material. A qualified Chinese agent is being trained for work in Shanghai. Liaison work and efforts to recruit Chinese agents continue. MO hopes soon to obtain agents for work in Amoy and Swatow areas from which Formosan activities will stem. Plans are also laid for MO work through the Siam gateway to north China. This branch is seriously crippled by lack of regular office supplies.

V. Services Army officer, 1; Navy officer, 1 -- 2

This branch is proceeding normally except for an acute lack of transportatio. and office supplies. The jeep and motocycle expected to relieve transportation situation have not arrived, and it is understood that transport by Army plane of vehicles over the hump has been forbidden. The one vehicle available at 202 has been under repair 75% of the time last month. Other transportation is limited to an undependable bus, travel by which permits only 2 hours in town, or 75% of the day wasted.

VI. Communications Army officer, 1; Enlisted men, 7 -- 8

During July this section has taught MO students how to use AR-77 receiver to monitor enemy stations and how to use Navy recorder to transcribe the program. It has supplied the "Dixie" mission with a cryptographic code and instructed the new class of SI students in the use of the number code which they will use in the field. The course for SO, SI and MO students in the new communications school has been outlined.

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AGFRTS

Note by Reports Officer

The following points are outstanding in the report prepared by the Far East Theater Office:

a. Largest contribution to the 14th Air Force intelligence is made by AGFRTS (p. 69.)

b. Tactical intelligence aided aerial bombardment of Jap shipping (pp. 71,72.), troop concentrations and supply columns (p. 72.)

c. Chinese agent, tortured by Japs and finally beheaded, refused to impair security of chain. (p.69.)

d. Four U.S. airmen aided in returning to friendly units. (p.72.)

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FAR EAST THEATER OFFICE

REPORT

JULY, 1944

AGFRTS

I. General

The further progress made by this organization during the month is due in part to the same factors that obtained in the previous month, i.e., the continued Jap threat and progress in South East China. Twenty-nine officers and 62 enlisted men composed the unit as of 31 July and there was a material increase in agent strength and skill during the period under review. Although sickness was not as common as might have been expected, malaria and stomach ailments were common. Sgts. Naves and Bourlin suffered fatal accidents in line of duty, and one Chinese agent captured by the enemy was beheaded after interrogation failed to force him to disclose details of his assignment. Morale remains extremely high among all personnel. Working hours are completely ignored.

II. SI

A. General

This activity, intelligence, remains foremost among the organization's contributions to the war effort, and an analysis of intelligence received by the 14th Air Force shows that AGFRTS has been the largest contributor to that unit.

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Six Chinese agents have been prepared and briefed for leaving behind in the event the Japanese enter Kweilin at which city headquarters are located. In addition, other temporary agents have been employed to provide intelligence concerning the Chinese forces and to assist in the dissemination of rumors. Greatest intelligence efforts existed in the War Areas (see B).

B. The War Areas

Third War Area

Important work has been done in this area. Weather reporting, liaison with Chinese Headquarters of the War Area, coastal watching and the development of plans for further operations stand as the more important contributions. Daily weather reports have been given from points in Anwhei, Kiangsi and Fukien provinces. An expansion of this service is underway and by the end of August, daily reports from points in occupied areas may be expected. Instruction has been given 16 agents who have been thoroughly briefed and returned to their old assignments in occupied territory ranging from Anking to Ningpo. These agents have also been instructed in radio. Daily coverage of coastal shipping is now possible for Amoy, and arrival and departure of ships from that point is reported within about six hours. Through the enlistment of partisans, plans have been promulgated for a Formosan intelligence network. In addition, the plans envision placing a radio on Fuyao Island.

Fourth War Area

One dispatch a day relating to political and target data has been received from the G.B.T. Group in French-Indo China. Although this flow is not great, the organization is expanding its activities. To assist the Group, AGFTRS has assigned an officer to install a radio station at Lungchow and during the early part of August, the station will be in operation. It will contact agents as far south as Saigon. The G.B.T. Group offers great potentialities as a source of intelligence for the future.

Seventh War Area

Major emphasis in this area has been placed on tactical intelligence and during the initial phases of the Japanese attack, the AGFTRS base station in Kukeng was able to keep General Vincent of the 14th Air Force informed as to the location of the fighting front. As a consequence, Japanese supply columns and advancing forces were subjected to fierce air attacks. This is particularly true of the advance between Canton and Tsingyuen. The intelligence relating to Japanese supply depots, transhipment points and strategic objectives for bombing were prepared and much use was made of such information by the combat Air Forces. Despite great physical handicap and the breakdown of the Chinese fighting fronts, AGFTRS personnel were able to maintain a flow of intelligence, and, laboring under great difficulty, on July 23 were able to direct the Air Forces to a Japanese ship off the Chinese coast which

was bombed successfully, together with another ship. Plans have been laid to obtain a steady flow of intelligence from the Hongkong area.

Ninth War Area

Tactical intelligence and targets has been supplied daily by AGFTRS personnel. As a result of such intelligence, 14th Air Force has been able to make smashing and devastating attacks on Japanese forces. Extensive interrogation of prisoners of war has been carried on and communication has been regularly maintained with Headquarters under the greatest physical difficulties.

Pilot rescue services were maintained during the period at a high level of efficiency. Four pilots have been aided in returning to duty. In this connection, great devotion and cooperation has been demonstrated by Chinese Guerrillas.

III. MO

Considerable emphasis was given to MO during the period and an effective program of rumor mongering has been conducted. Main techniques have been to maintain Chinese morale in the face of Japanese attempts to be-cloud the true situation and produce virtual panic. AGFTRS attempted to counteract this by keeping a check on enemy rumors and disseminating the truth as an antedote. A case in point was the enemy inspired rumor that two U.S. Infantry Divisions had arrived in China. The rumor was immediately scotched by frank disavowals.

An an adjunct of other MO operations, Lt. Fenn, USMC has established a headquarters at Patpo, southwest of Kweilin. Six students were orientated in MM work and have been sent to Canton with instructions to pass certain rumors, gather strategic intelligence and report back on the completion of their assignment.

A collection of purportedly genuine documents have been "lost" during July. The effect which they produce upon the enemy should be observable during succeeding months.

IV. X-2

Definite progress has been made by the radio direction finding group but some difficulty has been experienced in obtaining the complete cooperation of the Chinese in making radio direction work effective. Technical intelligence has been reasonably productive and one crashed Japanese plane and other Japanese equipment have been examined and reported upon.

V. SO

SO activities are sabotage and demolitions which are conducted in the 7th War Area at present. Japanese gasoline is adulterated with sugar and certain agents are attempting to find employment as horse-boys for Japanese Cavalry units. They will be provided with small amounts of strychnine to be administered to military mounts. In the 7th War Area, a group of 20 trained guerrillas will conduct SO operations.

This guerrilla team has been extensively trained in demolitions, Primary objectives of the group will be transportation and supply dumps vulnerable to incendiary attacks. Every effort will be made to coordinate this program with the tactical requirements of the 14th Air Force. The group will work in the Canton, Hongkong area.

VI. COMMUNICATIONS

Kweilin radio station's traffic amounted to 62,327 word groups divided between the field and base stations as follows:

a. Field Station: 18,539 word groups
b. Base and Sub-bases: 43,698 word groups

Some difficulty has been found with the radio equipment available and suggestions have been made for their improvement.

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Note by Reports Officer

The following points are outstanding in the report prepared by the Far East Theater Office:

a. Valuable information received from prisoners taken on Ripley I (pp. 75,76.)

b. Difficulties with British and Dutch (pp. 76,77.)

c. Need for OSS/Washington to give more careful processing to personnel intended for SEAC (p. 76.)

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FAR EAST THEATER OFFICE

REPORT

JULY, 1944

SEAC

I. General

Total personnel:	Army Officers	47	
	Navy Officers	11	
	Army enlisted men	93	
	Navy enlisted men	8	
	Civilians	32	191

The principal achievement during July was in intelligence. Sixteen prisoners taken on operation Ripley I supplied accurate data on location of enemy batteries and coast watch stations and furnished names of friendly towns and persons. A major policy change is the institution of an operational plans officer whose duty is to coordinate and implement all plans in this mission. Dr. Scofield has been appointed to this duty. Since Colonel Heppner feels that he will have no benefit from R & D and CD Branches, he has asked to use their slots in Services Branch. Encouraged by experience of the Ripley operation, it has been decided that emphasis in SEAC will be placed on kidnapping persons now located in enemy-occupied territory. Intelligence and recruits seem easiest obtained in this way. These operations will be carried on from 404, as 303 is rapidly approaching complete liquidation.

Relations with American military and civilian agencies remain satisfactory. General Stilwell makes OSS headquarters

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his residence while he is in the Theater. Relations with the British are cordial on the surface, only. Heppner detects, in British attempts to smash "P" Division, a lack of good faith on their part. All officers on General Stratemeyer's staff are friendly with a single exception. The Dutch are difficult, Admiral Helfrich showing no interest in clandestine operations, in part because he is tied to the British. Heppner believes that high OSS officials should discuss this matter with Dutch officials of higher rank than Admiral Helfrich.

Washington can help the Theater by not sending people until they are needed, by not assuring enlisted men they can wear civilian clothes in the Theater, and by giving all personnel going overseas more careful physical examinations. The chief need in this Theater is for personnel, especially in Communications.

INTELLIGENCE

II. SI

Personnel:	Army officers	6	
	Army enlisted men	1	
	Navy " "	1	
	Civilians	11	19

SI Branch principal achievement during July was the return of a group which, after having successfully dropped an agent some 2,000 miles east of Ceylon, captured 15 prisoners and a small native sailing canoe. Although they supplied valuable information, Mr. Ripley had quite unsatisfactory conferences with Admiral Helfrich regarding OSS use of prisoners snatched on

this mission. The Dutch insist upon having prior claim to all natives obtained by any allied group in operation on the East Indies. Even though nine prisoners volunteered for duty with OSS, Admiral Helfrich was unwilling for two of them to go ahead. The use of these two men is yet to be determined. Ripley concludes that the present situation is attributable to lack of direct contact between "P" Division and Admiral Helfrich. The wishes of the English have an undue influence on Dutch decisions in spite of Dr. Van Mook's agreement that OSS and Dutch should cooperate on intelligence work.

Recruiting for southern Burma and Malaya is now under way.

Specific data on harbors and coastal defenses obtained from prisoners was distributed by the Reports Section to all interested agencies. The greatest need in SI is for added assistance in the Reports Section and for additional conducting officers.

III. R & A

Personnel:	Army officers	3	
	Army enlisted men	--	
	Navy officer	1	
	Civilians	6	10

Kandy, R & A Branch, completed reports, answered requests for information and prepared 51 maps. The New Delhi first R & A ND translation and abstract of a Japanese article was completed, Lt. Mandelbaum continued work on the second Burma Situation Report, Lt. Coolidge compiled 2 maps and supplied answers to requests from other agencies.

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OPERATIONS

IV. SO

It has been decided to center all SO agents at Trinco where SI and MO agents are also trained. Galle is to be a "White Man's Camp" for training OG'S, reserving Trinco for training of agents. Sites have been selected at Trinco for housing groups for demolitions and firing ranges and for combat and obstacle courses. Construction is under way and a schedule for basic training has been worked out.

SO has been made responsible for four projects: I. BALONE - infiltration into South Burma to establish communication base and arrange exfiltration of important Rangoon police. 2. ARISTOE - (formerly Uddington, DT) - mission to be air dropped into mountains in North Thailand to establish communication base, contact Free Thai party, arrange exfiltration of Ruth. 3. BALMORAL - seven armed men will go ashore from submarines on Islands in South part of Mergui Archipelago to obtain intelligence, make reconnaissance of inhabited islands where OSS can establish an advance clandestine base, and snatch natives who may be used on subsequent operations. 4. ARDMORE - air dropping of group into Southern Burma to establish base for communications and reconnaissance of Bangkok, Singapore railroad.

SO's chief obstacles are lack of agent recruits and absence of over-all Theater Directives regarding allied strategy in SEAC. There will be a problem of morale unless several second Lieutenants who have been in grade for more than a year and whose parachute pay was withdrawn when they entered OSS are not given some immediate consideration.

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V. MO

Personnel:	Army Officer	1	
	Army enlisted men	3	
	Navy Officers	3	
	Civilians	9	16

There has been little change since the last report. MO work has been limited to bringing closer to completion projects planned, interrogating informants, conferring with members of "D" Division and obtaining clearance for entry of four Issei into the Theater.

VI. MU

Operation of "Juke Box" was cancelled because of navigation difficulties preventing a submarine from approaching shore. Operation Durian, an SI infiltration has been made ready and members should be under way soon. Ensign Shepard is in Trincomalee with the 63 foot air sea rescue craft. MU facilities and training have been established at Trincomalee. Galle facilities are used only in certain operational training.

Chief difficulties: Strain upon limited personnel and facilities. Certain operations may have to be cancelled because of insufficient men to escort and inadequate supply of equipment.

VII. Communications

Personnel:	Army officers	8	
	Army enlisted men	17	
	Navy enlisted men	2	
	Civilians	3	30

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As of July 22, 12 students are being given instruction which began on June 5. A severe drawback is the lack of test equipment. Another urgent need is a duplicating machine to furnish quantity copies of "Q" signals translated into different dialects native to students. Graph paper with 1/4-inch squares is also needed for use in cryptography.

VIII. Services

Personnel: Army officers 15
Army enlisted men 58 73

Buona Vista camp at Galle is now ready for occupancy, Ratalama depot should be completed by September 15, and Frankfort Place subdepot will be ready in two weeks. Large shipments of supplies have been received, stored and issued to the various camps, easing the critical supply situation. Lack of personnel, both officer and enlisted, is still acute.

IX. Other branches

A. Field Photographic Navy officers 2; EM 1 -- 3

FP Branch accomplishments have been minor because of a lack of equipment and personnel. Photographs of OSS buildings, aerial photos of camps, identification pictures of OSS personnel have constituted the month's activities. On the arrival of equipment and personnel, several short motion picture subjects on the training of special groups and on OSS-SEAC facilities are ready to be photographed. A script is being prepared on a film designed to familiarize Army and Air Corps with the Island of Sumatra, indicating escape routes, friendly territory, and methods of approaching natives.

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E. Schools & Training Civilians - 2

Curriculum for a six weeks' course of basic training has been prepared. It includes syllabi for instruction in communications, map reading, maritime training, basic intelligence, etc.

Three Thai agents have been given advanced training, including radio field problems and handling of kayaks and rubber boats. Eleven Malays were trained, examined, and retrained this month. Three Indonesians are receiving advanced training in radio, jungle, and field work. Nine Indonesians, newly arrived, will be given basic training. All these groups, totaling 26 individuals, are being trained for essential SI type work.

F. Security Army officer, 1; Army enlisted man, 1; Navy officer, 1; Navy enlisted man, 1; -- 4

Security has busied itself by changing all safe combinations. They have also established a guard system at headquarters, a system of recording all visitors, and prepared pass and identification cards for civilian and enlisted personnel.

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TOTAL STRENGTH REPORT FOR OSS PERSONNEL

Number assigned (exclusive of personnel temporarily attached to OSS) as of: 31 July 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	233	45	138	79	495	488	359	79	210		1136	1631
ENL. MEN	877	271	220	338	1706	1755	1364	234	392		3745	5451
TOTAL	1110	316	358	417	2201	2243	1723	313	602		4881	7082
NAVY												
OFFICER	123	13			136	68	32	29	32	0	161	297
ENL. MEN	142	37			179	93	53	26	41	29	242	421
TOTAL	265	50			315	161	85	55	73	29	403	718
MARINE												
OFFICER	11	5			16	16	9	7	6	2	40	56
ENL. MEN	7	18			25	8	2	3	0	8	21	46
TOTAL	18	23			41	24	11	10	6	10	61	102
COAST GUARD												
OFFICER	2	2			4	1	1			0	2	6
ENL. MEN	2	7			9	4	0			27	31	40
TOTAL	4	9			13	5	1			27	33	46
TOTAL SERVICE												
OFFICER	369	65	138	79	651	573	401	115	248	2	1339	1990
ENL. MEN	1028	333	220	338	1919	1860	1419	263	433	64	4039	5958
TOTAL	1397	398	358	417	2570	2433	1820	378	681	66	5378	7948
CIVILIAN												
VOUCHERED	2091	175			2266	306	0	28	14	3	351	2617
SPECIAL	323	36			359	165	216	119	81	0	581	940
TOTAL	2414	211			2625	471	216	147	95	3	932	3557
OSS GRAND TOTAL	3811	609	358	417	5195	2904	2036	525	776	69	6310	11505
*WACS	(Included in above totals)											
OFFICER	1				1	8	2	1			11	12
ENLISTED	0				0	85	27	0			112	112
TOTAL	1				1	93	29	1			123	124

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PERSONNEL CHANGES AND APPOINTMENTS

FOR THE MONTH OF JULY 1944

Capt. Hanse H. Hamilton appointed representative of General Counsel's office on Property Survey Board effective 17 July 1944; Office Order No. 1 issued 18 July 1944.

Mr. A. Wm. Asmuth, Jr. appointed representative of General Counsel's office on OSS Medical Board.

Major Robert E. Wolf appointed Acting Chief, Medical Services Office in absence of Sylvester C. Missal, eff. 13 July 1944; Office Order No. 1 issued 18 July 1944.

Mr. W. C. Morck appointed temporarily to undertake duties of Area Operations Officer, MO-ME during absence of Mr. J. R. Pershall, effective 20 July 1944, MO Branch Order No. 8, Supp. 5, issued 21 July.

Major John S. Roller appointed Deputy Chief, MO Branch, eff. 31 July 1944; MO Branch Order No. 8, Supp. 6 issued 28 July 1944.

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TRANSPORTATION STATUS

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

Period	ETO	NATO	METO	FETO	OTHER THEATERS	TOTAL
July 3 to 10	3	33	3	106	2	147
July 10 to 16	7	1		9		17
July 17 to 23	63	10	1	6	1	81
July 24 to 30	28	12	3	36		79
	101	56	7	157	3	324

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JULY MONTHLY REPORT OF CARGO STATUS
FOR SERVICES BRANCH

THEATER	COMPLETED JULY NO	WEIGHT	CU VOL.	% TOTAL FOR JULY NO	WEIGHT	CU VOL.
EUROPEAN	160	4,428,888	114,602.1	34.48	62.50	49.62
FAR EAST	122	1,268,397	40,529.60	26.29	17.90	17.55
MIDDLE EAST	37	28,866	1,436.2	7.99	.46	.64
NORTH AFRICA	135	1,355,913	74,201.49	29.09	19.13	32.13
MISC.	10	2,614	153.0	2.15	.03	.06
TOTALS	464	7,084.678	230,923.1	100.00	100.00	100.00
CANCELLED	20					
	484	7,084.678	230,923.1			

	COMPLETED JUNE			% TOTAL YEAR TO DATE		
EUROPEAN	118	1,362,828	44,904.2	33.39	51.58	45.62
FAR EAST	123	751,473	36,653.8	26.02	23.34	27.99
MIDDLE EAST	17	40,946	2,656.3	10.76	3.85	2.79
NORTH AFRICA	105	881,371	62,196.0	23.40	20.01	22.13
MISC.	22	8,300	279.8	6.43	1.22	1.47
TOTALS	385	3,044,978	146,690.1	100.00	100.00	100.00
CANCELLED	25					
	410	3,044.978	146,690.1			

	COMPLETED YEAR TO DATE			CURRENT SHIPMENTS JULY	JUNE	MAY	APR	MAR	FEB
EUROPEAN	675	8,847,817	378,639.7	112	105	82	99	32	67
FAR EAST	526	4,044,782	232,319.0	199	146	189	66	63	62
MIDDLE EAST	217	657,833	23,078.2	58	63	57	51	31	54
NORTH AFRICA	473	3,433,486	183,682.1	106	92	98	82	54	38
MISC.	130	209,332	12,238.5	18	18	14	20	18	30
TOTALS	2021	17,152,801	829,957.5	491	424	421	421	201	252
CANCELLED	153								
	2174	17,152,801	829,957.5						

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21 August 1944

MEMORANDUM TO: The Director

FROM: Secretariat

SUBJECT: Report of Branches of the Office of Strategic Services for the Month of July 1944.

1. The monthly report for July 1944 covers OSS Branch activities and progress during the month.

2. The report is set up to conform with JCS 155/11/D in that the Intelligence Service, Strategic Services Operations and "Other Branches" are divided by colored tabs while each branch under these categories is tabbed in white.

3. Beginning with this month, no attempt will be made, in preparing for the Director the monthly report of OSS activities, to cover the progress of branch operations in Washington. The scope of this memorandum therefore will be increased so as to include not only the special problems awaiting solution by the Washington Branches but also the general progress of their activities.

a) Secret Intelligence

(1) Far East

The shortage of personnel with proper language qualifications has seriously curtailed the working efficiency of this unit. The desk recommends looking into the possibility of recruiting Japanese-speaking persons in Latin America. It also urges further efforts to canvass the Japanese intelligence field in the Near East as well as in Europe.

(2) Near East

The very difficult problem of maintaining cover for SI agents traveling to and from the Near East has not been satisfactorily settled as yet. Complaints on this subject have been received for several months. OSS designation is still openly noted on all travel orders, thus completely "blowing" the cover of our men.

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(3) France

This desk reports difficulties in carrying out urgent missions assigned on short notice by the military command, since Procurement & Supply Branch has been unable to expedite supply action sufficiently. The French desk suggests meeting this situation by providing SI with authority to make necessary purchases on the open market in such cases.

(4) Switzerland

The Swiss Desk is now planning to investigate the personnel requirements of the Swiss area in preparation for the time when replacements can be sent for the agents who have been stationed there for three years.

(5) Africa

In North Africa, recommendation has been made that additional representatives be established under State Department or commercial cover. It is further recommended that some effort be made to tighten the cover of persons in the field.

A new member of the Angola staff who would help alleviate the burden of work in that office has been delayed by failure to act on his Portuguese visa request.

b) Foreign Nationalities

During July representatives of FN Branch attended 20 group meetings of foreign political groups in the United States. The Branch received 99 situation reports on foreign political activities in the U.S., in addition to 90 reports from its field representatives. During the month 635 press readings were filed by the Princeton Office. Special attention was paid in the foreign language press to the following subjects: The Departure of the Finnish Minister from the United States; The Finnish Question in Swedish Press; The Committee for the Re-education of German Prisoners; Schemes for the Resurrection of the German Monarchy; Instances of Foreign Recognition of the French Provisional Government; and the Visit of General De Gaulle to America.

c) X-2

Under the new order from the Director broadening X-2 responsibility, a total of 677 cases was vetted and reports rendered. It has become evident that there is an urgent need for the immediate completion of a control file for all information on file in the branch. A program for this work has been laid out and been given a high priority in Washington headquarters. An X-2 indoctrination and briefing course was inaugurated and a second class is due to start shortly.

d) Research & Analysis

(1) Europe Africa Division

At the request of the JIC a report has been prepared dealing with the problems concerned in securing intelligence from enemy countries after occupation and the establishment of a permanent intelligence organization after the war.

(2) USSR

A decline in morale has been reported from this Division, due largely, it is believed, to a feeling that the functions of the Division have been fulfilled and no definite clarification for the future has been presented to the staff. Many persons have applied for transfers to agencies still engaged in wartime or immediate postwar problems, and it is felt that only a clear-cut statement of the Division's future will halt this trend.

(3) Far East

Arrangements have been completed with OP-16-VA for joint Navy-OSS organization to analyze and evaluate strategic air targets in the Far East. With all known sources now exhausted, there is a growing need for men with knowledge of oriental languages. The Division has requested assistance in securing graduates of Boulder and Camp Savage.

(4) Biographical Records Division

An attempt is being made to find personnel qualified to concentrate on a more analytical type of biography. The value of this material is seen in a recent cable stating that SHAEF is most enthusiastic about the German reports transmitted

and requests maximum delivery during the next two months.

(5) Map Division

A map intelligence reporting system has been established whereby all interested offices in Washington and the theaters are to receive catalog cards stating what map information is available and where it may be obtained.

e) Censorship Documents

The Censorship Division completed arrangements to receive official foreign government cables which were not previously available to OSS. This arrangement was made through the Office of Censorship and the State Department and has proved useful to the geographic desks of R&A and FN.

f) Special Projects

Agents working on the Simmons project in Greece have stolen from an Me-109 a device which, when attached to balloons or aircraft, automatically makes meteorological observations and transmits them back to a receiver. These men have been notified that the Air Forces are interested in receiving two additional new German aviation gadgets.

g) SO

From advance headquarters of the 2677th Regiment in the Mediterranean word has been received that "the supply situation is desperate. We are presently using British chutes and containers of which there is a great shortage with no immediate hope of replacements from other sources."

In the Far East the problem of medical attention has become a major one. Drugs are badly needed and the use of regular Army base hospitals is out of the question in the jungle area.

It is now believed necessary that a twin-engine Beechcraft be provided for Detachment 101. A mountain range bordering the entrance to the Kuhawng Valley makes a lighter craft impractical. This whole problem has become more acute since we have been rapidly advancing into Burma.

h) Morale Operations

A Scandinavian Desk was established during July to prepare leaflets for distribution in Norway and Denmark.

A training center was opened at Collingwood for employees with qualified security approval, including persons of Japanese ancestry. Various drafts of an MO plan for the Central Pacific are under way, and it is believed that in the next month it can be definitely ascertained whether or not MO will operate in that theater. Col. Mann has suggested an MO representative be authorized to go to Australia to serve as observer and liaison officer on the Allied Political Warfare Board, This plan may be submitted later to the JCS.

i) Maritime Unit

It has been decided to abandon the swimming unit in ETO. This unit will probably be transferred to the Central Pacific after additional training at Nassau. The main problem seems to be determination of the type or types of operation for which this group is most suited and which will be of greatest benefit to the Navy.

j) Operational Groups

Nothing exceptional to report.

k) Schools & Training

Area E, the site of the basic SI/X-2 course, has been closed and a new two-week OSS basic course has been established at Area A-3. This will be used by SI, X-2, SO and MO to meet current operational needs, being required of all personnel of these branches as a preparation for further training. It is open to personnel of other branches if accommodations exist. As a result of this revision of the program, the three-week paramilitary course and the material of the SO finishing course were combined into what is now termed the SO Advanced Course. The instruction at Area RTU-11 was likewise modified and is now designated as the SI Finishing Course. Training on the West Coast expanded materially with the arrival of a large group to be trained for CBI.

During July a one-day program, to take place each Saturday, was begun at Area F, in order to give OSS civilian personnel a better idea of the activities of the entire organization.

There continues to be a heavy load at all assessment schools, but it was possible during the month to detach a staff which has now been shipped to SEAC for the new assessment school in that theater. Theater Commander Approval has been obtained for assessment staff personnel destined for ETO and it is believed that they will depart shortly.

l) Field Photographic

Eleven motion pictures were completed in addition to editing and re-recording five captured enemy news reels. The Brazilian Unit has not completed "Wings over Brazil," the third of this series. The photographic phase of this mission was due to be completed in July, but because of a special request of the Brazilian government, one more project is to be filmed by the camera group during August. Upon completion of this, the unit will return immediately to Washington. Several pictures were completed by the unit in Hollywood engaged in working for the California Institute of Technology and the United States Navy. Three of these films dealt with the new 11.75 inch airborne rocket.

m) Visual Presentation

Thirty-nine projects were completed during July. Among the more important was a graphic report for A-2, ONI, OSS and FEA entitled "Strategic Air Objectives." The subject matter is the purpose and technicalities of target selection, bomb damage assessment and other work done in support of strategic bombing. Brochures on personnel control and food distribution were completed for the Army. A feature-length Japanese film was adapted for use in orientation of OSS personnel training for FETO.

n) Communications

The total of personnel has increased approximately 15 per cent during the month. There is apparently an urgent need for an increase of personnel to cover the extensive plans for operation in the Pacific

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Theater. However, with the gradual decrease in training of base station operators and the SI/SO type of student, much of the instructor manpower is now ready for service overseas.

Some of the personnel has been selected for the installation of a 50 kilowatt broadcasting unit on the Island of Guam for MO. Clearance of the operation itself has not yet been effected.

o) Security

There are 1,302 new requests for full security investigations. A total of 1,183 complete security investigations were written up.

p) Services

An active recruiting program is now under way for field service officers to be established in the Office of the Deputy Director, Services. These men will divide their time between Washington and the particular theater to which they are assigned in order to co-ordinate administrative services with the field.

q) New York

The New York office reports that during the month the office of the Seaman Interview Group has been closed and henceforth the work will be carried out by the Labor Desk. The New York Staging Area has been discontinued and all property will be removed before the termination of the lease.

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SI BRANCH - FRENCH DESK

CONTINUING OPERATIONS

NAME	GEOGRAPHIC AREA	DESCRIPTION	NO. MEN	PROGRESS DURING JULY
CHESTNUT "Adams"	S. France	Intelligence mission.	2	SO group reports that they were unable to find any trace of agent or operator and that there had been many arrests in the neighborhood.
CROCUS "Anatole"	S. France (Valence, (Grenoble, (Lyon area	Intelligence mission & W/T station.	4	Reports signal plans and crystals as unserviceable. To be resupplied.
"Brazil"				Reports on movements of 271st and 277th divisions. Fairly complete O/B survey of region from Toulon to Italian bo rder. Resistance groups in neighborhood have stolen his equipment.
"Lucie"				Bombing results and reports on gasoline dumps. Chief agent ill and station closed down 16-28 July. Station is caring for eight American air men, one of whom is near death from burns. A medical supply drop has been planned to assist this group in the care of the aviators.
"Natalie"				New equipment dropped 12 July was picked up by resistance groups. Reports on movements of Ninth Panzer Division and information on aluminum plant at Ales. Went off the air 15-23 July to assist sister station, Anatole.
GRAPEFRUIT "Menado"	Toulon	Intelligence mission.	2	A new station which has sent in thorough and accurate O/B reports on Toulon and area to east. Particularly good artillery reports, identifying and locating four artillery battalions of 242d Division.

NAME	GEOGRAPHIC AREA	DESCRIPTION	NO. MEN	PROGRESS DURING JULY
CONTINUING OPERATIONS				**SI BRANCH - FRENCH DESK (Cont'd)**
MATHILDA "Antelope"	French-Italian border.	Intelligence mission.		Reports on 157th Division, troops in Grenoble area, and activities against Maquis; on fuel dumps and railroad damage.
"Loire"				Reports on troop activities in Savoie, Haute Savoie and Isere against Maquis.
"Mascara"				Sub-agent and pick-up operator with 23 packages of equipment dropped 6 July. This will permit weather station in Savoie region to be established.
NONPAREIL "Jones"		Intelligence mission.		Still hiding after arrest of agent of "Nonpareil" chain.
PANCAKE "Thomas"				Vanished into Maquis group in St. Laurent du Pont area.
PENNY FARTHING "Carthage"	Rhone Valley	Intelligence mission.	4	Supply drops 16 July, funds and equipment, to extend network to cover Toulouse, Perpignan, Montauban triangle. 20 packages arms given to resistance groups.
"Hastings"				Received supply drop 12 July, equipment and funds, to set up two new radio stations to cover rail traffic on BLM lines and Toulouse to Marseilles lines.
				Followed Ninth Panzer Division, which G-2 terms most important assignment of lower Rhone region. Reports verified by photo reconnaissance. Reports on munitions and gas dumps. Complete O/B cover of Avignon, Nimes, Montpelier region. New sub-chain being set up in Lyon region, which has already begun O/B reporting in that area.

NAME	GEOGRAPHIC AREA	DESCRIPTION	NO. MEN	PROGRESS DURING JULY
CONTINUING OPERATIONS				**SI BRANCH - FRENCH DESK (Cont'd)**
PENNY FARTHING (Cont'd) "Millen" (formerly Carthage and Shilling)				Chain has penetrated E.B.D. (Bisembahn Direction) in Bordeaux and now sends "official reports" on all train movements in Southwestern France, frequently before movements begin. Enables bombing of trains. Movement of 272d Division, 11th Panzer and the TCO's. Movement of troops to and from Toulouse region. Extended coverage to Southwestern France.
"Sixpence"				Bombing results in Avignon. Bridges cut at Avignon and Arles. Communications from Sete to Miramas. Farming out of Panzer divisions concentrated at Avignon to fill gaps caused by withdrawal of 271, 272, and 277th divisions from western half of French Mediterranean coast. Extensive reports on gas and ammitions dumps. Answered request of MAAF for location of gas dump at LeThor.
PUMPKIN	Lyon	Intelligence mission.		Received supplies and equipment, 6 July, to enlarge areas covered by chains, and Lysander equipment.
"Marguerite"				O/B reports on Marseilles, Minervois area.

SI BRANCH - FRENCH DESK

NAME	GEOGRAPHIC AREA	DESCRIPTION
IMPENDING OPERATIONS		
BOSCO		Return of agent of Mathilde group. Plane will carry arms to resistance groups at Valence and Grenoble.
ETOILE		Five persons for tactical intelligence. A joint operation with the French Ministry of War.
JOHNSON		W/T operator for Pumpkin group.
MARROWBONE		Two or three additional W/T operators to "Hastings" of Penny Farthing chain. New station to be set up in lower and upper Rhone Valley.
PARSLEY		New crystals and other equipment for "Anatole" of Crocus group. May include a W/T operator.
SWEETPEA "Goodyear"	Marseilles region.	Two agents, W/T operator, for roving tactical intelligence. Attempted 21 July by sea but agents unable to move inland. Will be sent in again to a "Hastings" reception committee.
TYLER	Lyon area.	A Lysander plane to Pumpkin to bring out documentary intelligence. Will carry in two bodies. To be attempted first week of August.
ZLOTNICK		Medical supplies for eight American aviators in care of "Lucie" of Crocus group. New crystals.
PUENTE I		Two agents and W/T operator for one of Spanish chains.

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NAME	GEOGRAPHIC AREA	DESCRIPTION
IMPENDING OPERATIONS (Cont'd)		
ST. MARIE (San Leonie)		Two W/T operators for Spanish chains in Marseilles region.
ST. FERDINAND		Two W/T operators for Spanish HOMO chain.

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NAME	GEOGRAPHIC AREA	DESCRIPTION	NO. MEN	PROGRESS DURING JULY
		SPANISH BASED CHAINS		
AKAK "Barbara"	France			W/T operator sent in 17 July. First Madrid contact, radio communications.
UPUP "Anita"	North of Lyon			W/T operator sent in. Started sending O/B.
HOHC & AKAK "Hytronic"	Pyrenees, Orientals			Two agents and W/T operator sent in to work with these chains.

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SI BRANCH - ITALIAN DESK

NAME	GEOGRAPHIC AREA	DESCRIPTION	NO. GEN	PROGRESS DURING JULY
CONTINUING OPERATIONS				
APPLE	Genoa to Italian Riviera	Intelligence mission.	4	Dropped 16 July and began reporting 28 July on German dispositions near Turin.
APRICOT	Lake region	Military intelligence.	2	67 items. Troop movements in Verona region; bridge location, harbor destruction at Genoa, Leghorn and LaSpezia; patriot operations.
CITRON	Turin	Intelligence mission.	2	52 items. Troop strength and movements; location of guns at Aremmano and Savoia; results of allied raids and developments within the patriot groups.
GUAVA 2	Milan	Intelligence mission.	3	Mantova, Ferrara, Modena, Piacenza, landed 18 July. To specialize on O/B, and to do tactical intelligence if requested. In the event of a general German withdrawal they are to move farther north. Said to have made contact 23 July.
KINGSTON	LaSpezia	Intelligence mission.	2	Landed 24 July. It was planned that the agent would inspect the Gothic line defenses and report on them. The landing party was interrupted, and while it is believed that the team went ashore, nothing has been heard from them.
LOCUST	Genoa area.	Intelligence mission.	2	Landed 22-23 June. Operator captured by Germans, but escaped.
MEDLAR	Parma Piacenza	Military intelligence and evacuation of underground leaders	3	Went in by sub and fishing boat, 25-26 June, and is now in Parma-Piacenza-Genoa area, from which they began sending intelligence.12 July sending out information on reorganization of Goering division, Ancona defenses, railroad traffic, communications, and locations of targets.

NAME	GEOGRAPHIC AREA	DESCRIPTION	NO. MEN	PROGRESS DURING JULY
CONTINUING OPERATIONS		**SI BRANCH - ITALIAN DESK** (Cont'd)		
ORANGE	Turin	Intelligence mission.	3	103 items of intelligence. O/B, German defenses and military plans; morale, and bombing information.
PEAR	Venice	Intelligence mission.	2	98 items. O/B in Udine area, information on bridges and defenses; communications and German training of Italians for counter-espionage and political activities.
RAISIN	Bologna	Intelligence mission.	3	25 items. Troop concentrations to defend Apennine line; location of gasoline and supply depots.
READING	Genoa area.	Intelligence mission.	2	Landed in May. Not heard from since landing.
YOUNGSTOWN	Genoa area.	Intelligence mission.	2	This team is in touch with a patriot group. At one time it was thought to be working with the Germans, but this opinion no longer prevails.

SI BRANCH - GREEK DESK

NAME	GEOGRAPHIC AREA	DESCRIPTION	NO. MEN	PROGRESS DURING JULY
CONTINUING OPERATIONS				
AJAX	Aetolo, Acarnania	Intelligence	2	Arrived 20 July.
ATHLETES		"	3	Two additional persons infiltrated by sea 19 July.
BRIGAND-STYGIA		"		Observation post being set up to report ships in Euripos. There is a German drive going on in the northern part of the island.
CRAYON	Tinos	Shipping intelligence.	3	Asks for a replacement operator.
DAGO	Rhodes	Reconnaissance.	4	Safely evacuated after being cut off from radio and supplies by Germans.
DESPOT	Athens	Intelligence mission.	4	Principal agent continues to send a large number of reports, but another may have been apprehended. Four independent networks built up and information is carefully checked. Nearly 150 reports contained in mail reaching Cairo 3 July.
ELEPHANT	Zonaz Hq.	Intelligence.	3	Arrived 20 July. Established contact 25 July. ALO objected to presence of mission.
FLEECE	Larissa	"	2	Left for field 5 July.
FLOKA	Macedonia	"	1	First mail arrived 31 July.
GASOLENE	Salonica	"	2	Continues contact with Cairo. Is arranging for a safer port from which to dispatch mail.

NAME	GEOGRAPHIC AREA	DESCRIPTION	NO. MEN	PROGRESS DURING JULY
		SI BRANCH - GREEK DESK (Cont'd)		
GORGON	Corfu	Intelligence mission.	2	Athens to investigate handling of Jewish refugees, left Cairo 20 July.
HELOT		"	4	Radio broken on drop, using ISLD radio. Sent in reports on Laconia area. New radio to be sent in soon.
HORSE BRAIDERS	Pelion	"		Sent in considerable number of reports; particularly good on shipping in Volo harbor. Has trained three additional W/T operators, one of whom will be turned over to MO mission Ulysses.
IRON	Khalkidiki	"	2	No news.
ORACLE	Athens	"		Sending numerous reports on traffic on main N-S railroad line.
PHALANX	Salonika	"	2	Two members arrested by Security Battalions, but escaped. May be necessary to withdraw team, but perhaps sub-agents can carry on.
SETTLER	Attica	"	3	Mail and supplies delivered. Sporadic contact maintained with base.
VLACH	Athens	"	2	Leaderarrived safely in Athens area. W/T operator narrowly escaped Germans. Hoped that he can provide substitute operator.
IMPENDING OPERATIONS				
BANKERS	Athens	Intelligence.		Held up while Greek Minister of Finance decides that information is needed.

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NAME	GEOGRAPHIC AREA	DESCRIPTION	NO. MEN	PROGRESS DURING JULY
		SI BRANCH - YUGOSLAVIA		
ALDEN	Slovene Partisan Hq.	Intelligence.	4	Has visited N. Slovenia to collect intelligence; investigating possibility in this area. Reports on enemy dispositions along Slovene-Croat border, and aircraft industry in Kranj.
MULBERRY	Croatian Partisan Hq.	"	-	Moving with 11th Partisan Army Corps to Gorski Kotar area. Covered German offensive against Lika Partisans. Information on targets in Lika. Military and Naval concentrations and dispositions in Istria. Received one additional person and supplies 2 July.
OAK & PALM	Partisan Naval Command.	"		Presumed to be sending intelligence.
REDWOOD	Second Partisan Army Corps.	"		Move to Kelasin approved. Enemy traffic in Montenegro and Sanjak area. Regular rail reports on Maribor-Zidani Most-Celji line. Two men returned after eight months in field.

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NAME	GEOGRAPHIC AREA	DESCRIPTION	NO. MEN	PROGRESS DURING JULY
CONTINUING OPERATIONS				SO BRANCH - YUGOSLAVIA
ALTLAND	Bosnia			New sub-mission in Bosnia established.
DEPOSIT		A unit of one of the sub-missions, Berani.		Americans sent in to replace British 20 July.
FLOTSAM	N.Slovenia	Liaison with Partisans.		Two additional men sent in 26 June.
FUNGUS				
RAKEOFF	2d Corps Area	do.		Two men taken out in June.
SPIKE	N. Serbia	Interruption of communications.		Four men went in 23 June.
IMPENDING OPERATIONS				
HALYARD				Evacuation of Americans from Mihailovitch territory, a blind drop to be carried out in August.

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NAME	GEOGRAPHIC AREA	DESCRIPTION	NO. MEN	PROGRESS DURING JULY
		MO BRANCH - ALGIERS		
"DAS NEUE DEUTSCHLAND"	Balkans, France.	Monthly newspaper purporting to represent "united front" of German underground.		Second edition of 750,000 copies printed and distributed. "Extra" edition printed on German schism. Third edition being prepared.
"FRIEDENSBOTE"	France, Italy, Yugoslavia.	Subversive German Underground paper in support of Das Neue Deutschland.		8,000 copies of third edition printed and disseminated.
FELDPOST POST CARDS				40,000 printed, distributed in kits.
HITLER HEADS				936,000 printed. 136,500 distributed in kits.
MO KITS				500 to Yugoslavia; 450 to France.
"[illegible]" LEAFLETS		Supposedly from underground sources voicing complaints.		1,500,000 printed.
STICKERS		Anti-Nazi stickers.		2,257,500 printed, 637,400 distributed in kits.
"WIE LANGE NOCH"		Leaflets and recording.		660,500 leaflets printed.

Six additional items being prepared.

MO BRANCH - CAIRO

NAME	GEOGRAPHIC AREA	DESCRIPTION	PROGRESS DURING JULY
"APPLE" MISSION	Crete	General MO activities.	Mission returned to Cairo and reported German garrison would offer little resistance to a landing force. Obtained military, economic and political intelligence.
"ULYSSES" MISSION	Greek mainland.		Reached "Trinket" and began distribution of underground paper in Athens, Salonika, Lasissa and Volo; inspired revolt in caique crews by MO leaflets; distributed sabotage material.
POW MISSION	Crete		MO representative on this mission, which is to inspire mutiny in German garrison, reached island safely.
BROADCASTS			Permission received for blocking German language broadcasts from Turkey. Recordings ready. Morse broadcasts in German, Greek, Hungarian, and Rumanian continued.
"PROST"		Fake POW newspaper.	Describing happy life of PW's, spreads rumors, etc.
"KDF" LEAFLETS		Woman's underground movement.	Three leaflets urging soldiers to give up.
CATHOLIC PAPER		Leaflets.	Backing "Truening for President."
"MAGY. NEMZET"		Newspaper.	First edition printed.
		Leaflets and stickers.	Bulgarian, Rumanian, Hungarian printed. Being distributed.

NAME	GEOGRAPHIC AREA	DESCRIPTION	NO. MEN	PROGRESS DURING JULY
CONTINUING OPERATIONS:		OG BRANCH		
	France			
BETSY			15	Dropped 25 July. No reports yet.
EMILY			15	With Maquis band. Attacked truck convoy of 150 vehicles and 1,000 men. Destroyed three highway bridges.
JUSTINE			15	With 20 Maquis, destroyed 3 vehicles in convoy, killed 60 and wounded 20 Germans. Helped Maquis defend Vercors against heavy German attack.
LOUISE			15	Went in middle of July, dropped 500-foot bridge into Rhone River, blocking the river and the highway, and cutting power lines. Also destroyed railroad bridge near Viviers.
	Greece			Now 13 officers and 144 EM in Greece in 6 patrols. Two more patrols remain to go in. One patrol helped Andarter repel a heavy German attack.
	Yugoslavia			
		Vis		Engaged in preparation for raids on the coastal mainland. Plans have been approved to infiltrate one group into Yugoslavia.

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NAME	GEOGRAPHIC AREA	DESCRIPTION	NO. MEN	PROGRESS DURING JULY
		SO BRANCH - GREECE		
IONAY	Greece	Hospital	2	Continuing to operate
LIAISON OFFICERS				
CENIW "MORTLAKE"	ELAS, Hq.	Senior American Liaison Officer	2	Continuing liaison functions.
--- "TRUFFLE"	N. Greece	Liaison Officer	1	" " "
ABDUL "BOODLE"	----	" "	1	" " "
BUICK "PORTIA"	Near Aegean	" "	2	" " "
--- "SHEPSTEAD"	Epirus	" "	2	" " "
DEBIT "LILLIAN"	Corinth	" "	2	" " "
CHICAGO	Evros, Greece	SO Mission	-	Preparations continued for returning mission to field.

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COMMENDATIONS

I. ETO

A. SI

A letter from Brig. Gen. T. J. Betts, Deputy Assistant Chief of Staff, G-2, to Col. John Haskell, Chief SI, states that the Sussex reports have been useful and accurate and that the caliber of Sussex operations reflects excellent training.

B. SO

1. Admiral Stark, Chief of U.S. Forces in the European Theater, awarded the Navy Cross to Maj. Peter Ortiz, U.S.M.C., (SO) who returned from the completion of a five month mission involving great personal hazard and many successful encounters with the enemy.

2. ETOUSA authorized an SO agent to accept the Croix de Guerre with Palm from French authorities.

II. MEDTO

A. SI

1. A letter from Col. Sloane, G-2, presents gratifying evidence of the usefulness of the SI Spanish chain intelligence.

2. A letter from Maj. Gen. Twining of the 15th Air Force commends the work of Capt. Stampados and his staff in planning and carrying out work on "Safe Area Maps." General Twining states that this work has been a valuable

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service to the U.S. armed forces.

3. A letter from Flight Lieut. S. Aubin-James conveys the appreciation and thanks of the RAF for services to the RAF Night Bomber Command in Balkan territory.

B. X-2

A letter was received from the Mayor of Naples expressing his sincere gratitude for the cooperation of X-2 personnel in that city.

III. NEUTRAL MISSIONS

A letter from Ambassador Norweb states that, on the basis of extremely valuable and detailed information obtained and submitted by representatives of the Office of the Financial Attache, material has been seized from smugglers operating for the Germans. (The Financial Attache is the Chief of SI in Portugal).

IV. BRAZIL

A. FIELD PHOTOGRAPHIC

The National Order of Cruzeiro do Sul, in the degree of Officer, was conferred on Lt. Comdr. Gregg Toland by a decree of the President of the Republic of Brazil. This is in recognition of the work of the Ford unit while in Brazil and particularly because of the Sao Paulo picture.

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III. X-2 (NATO personnel: 14 officers, 18 enlisted men, 30 civilians; total 62. METO personnel: 8 officers, 5 enlisted men, 13 civilians; total 26.)

X-2 has been in the process of transferring its office from Algiers to Italy. Two SCI units have been set up, one for Northern Italy, the other for the 7th Army, and two additional border control units are being mounted for use along the Spanish and Southwest frontier. X-2 Italy has been constituted an SCI unit (Unit Z) by General Staff Intelligence, AAI, placing X-2 directly under AAI for operations. Part of this unit has been ordered to report to 5 Force for the exploitation of Florence, but no report has yet been received from them.

The number of agents, recruiters and intelligence officials arrested in Rome is well over 100, probably the largest haul in history, and our X-2 Unit in Rome has been swamped interrogating, fitting correlated cases together, acting as liaison with other intelligence organizations and uncovering new leads. A total of 40 cases of German agents in Rome has been handled by X-2, nine having been added during the month. Eight of these were Abwehr agents, one was a Sicherheitsdienst sabotage agent and one was the head of the woman's section of the organization recruiting stay-behind agents. Our men conducted the investigations and testified at the first two trials of agents in Rome, resulting in sentences of 20 and 18 years. Eleven of our cases were interned.

A doubls W/T agent is being successfully used. He is apparently well accepted by the Abwehr. Their messages are most revealing, and a great quantity of deceptive material is being transmitted.

X-2 is preparing target folders for a project of GSI, AAI to capture German intelligence officials in northern cities before they have a chance to leave Italy, gathering all possible information on these agents, as well as maps, floor plans, descriptions and drawings of their houses and offices, to be turned over to Commandos.

More personnel is urgently needed and the transportation problem continues to be acute.

British MI-6 has offered to allow X-2 Istanbul to send a party with it in case of the possible occupation of Bulgaria, but our rep esentativ e deplores the fact that due to lack of coordination and unsettled conditions in the Istanbul office we have no plans of our own and that the Americans may be forced to play a subsidiary part in the area.

Post-war organizational plans are being made in Cairo and one of the representatives to do permanent work has arrived.

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