

22 October 1954

MEMORANDUM FOR: Colonel Paul J. Blask
Acting Chief of Psychological Warfare
Department of the Army

SUBJECT: Assistance of Intelligence in the
Implementation of the Army's Psywar
Contract with [REDACTED]

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REFERENCE: Memorandum of Conversation prepared
by [REDACTED] dated 19 October 1954

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1. Attached hereto are the following documents which
[REDACTED] and I undertook to have prepared:

a. A bibliography of unclassified secondary
sources prepared on the basis of the outline in
Annex A of the psywar country plan dated 1 July 54.
(See Tab A.)

b. The same outline, annotated to show relevant
NIS sections which have already been published, are
in process, or are scheduled over the next three years.
Some elements now under discussion for scheduling over
the next three years will be notified to you as soon as
possible. (See Tab B.)

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2. I am returning herewith a copy of the instruction hand-
book prepared on a crash basis by [REDACTED] along with the outline
prepared by a former officer in GCPW. I have read the handbook
and have also examined the NIS materials available, either published
or in draft, as follows:

Instruction

NIS 4)
Section 44
" "

"Manpower"
"Health and
Institution"

(Chronic
copy)

NIS-43

Introduction	Section 51	The Constitutional System
"	"	52 Structure of the Government (mines.)
"	"	54 Intelligence and Security (mines.)
"	"	58 Propaganda
"	"	59 Biographies of Key Personalities
"	"	61 Facts and Power
"	"	63 Minerals and Metals
"	"	64 Manufacturing and Construction

In addition, I have examined the OER report, "Analysis of Communist Propaganda: Introduction" (Report No. ST14.9 of 20 May 1954).

3. After this review, it appears that in the NIS and its supporting files is the most readily available evaluated information for the rapid preparation of a battery of country handbooks, assuming that to be the objective. (It should be borne in mind that the S. O. F. in the production of NIS is far preferable to construct, as a first step, a bibliography which includes both unclassified and classified material.) It might be possible to place cleared personnel (perhaps obtained from universities) in State Annex No. 1 in conjunction with OER files and the staff which worked on the NIS as well as on other related subjects, and instruct these experts to produce handbooks along the lines of the outline to Annex A of the paywar country plan of 1 July 1954. (In this connection you may wish to examine an outline, at Tab C, dated 5 December 1953 and prepared by OER/staff in an effort to identify and produce material useful to paywarriors. At that time, in the latter part of 1953 and early 1954, there was no support for such production.) If the handbooks must be unclassified, it is believed that upon their completion arrangements can be established for the necessary certification.

4. In addition to the foregoing plan, if accepted, OCFW may wish to have the files developing simultaneously for other than handbook purposes. It is suggested that in view of the fact that the introduction case was based on only two out of five years' work in the filing of unclassified materials by [REDACTED], the production of handbooks only after the completion of the files on a given country would postpone any serious handbook production beyond the two-year limits of the contract. It, however, OCFW considers the production of handbooks of minor importance compared to other plans which it has for the use of files, then naturally the plan proposed in paragraph 3 above would not be desirable.

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5. Reference is made to the last paragraph of the referenced memorandum of conversation. I am informed by [redacted] of CIA that at my suggestion he has met with G-2 and OCPW to discuss the possible interest of OCPW in urban area studies now under consideration by CIA. It is my understanding that OCPW is not interested in this particular activity.

6. I believe no further actions on our part are required at this time. We will, however, be ready to come over at any time to discuss further any of these matters.

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Attachments:

- Tab A, Tab B, Tab C

cc: Mr. Yaro J. Shalish, G-2

PCS:JQR:KM (22 October 54)

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