

Executive for Administration and Management

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Requisition for Household Equipment

1. With reference to memorandum 2 June 1948 from Chief, Services Branch to Chief, FBIS, (copy attached), reconsideration is requested of the FBIS proposal to furnish household equipment for two dwellings provided at the monitoring station now under construction at Nicosia, Cyprus.

2. The following considerations are presented:

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- a. Under a policy of rotating personnel among field stations, it is expected that a dwelling will be occupied by one family for a period of two years. Shipment of employee's own household goods over such a distance will probably require as long as six months each way, with the result that employee families will be required to live without household equipment for a period equal to one-half the required overseas duty.
 - b. In the immediate future, the activation of several new FBIS stations may require transfer of key employees to the continental U. S. or to other overseas posts after less than two years, making shipment of their own household goods totally impracticable.
 - c. FBIS personnel at present on Cyprus will act as Chief and Chief Engineer, respectively, of the station upon activation. They are living at hotels during the construction period. Without furnishings, they would not be able to occupy the houses intended for them after the station is in operation.
 - d. There are no known sources for rental of household equipment on Cyprus.

3. It is observed that this question arises also in regard to the FBIS Okinawa project, where outstanding authority to the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers includes complete furnishing of quarters for the entire proposed staff.

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Subject requisition

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