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MEMORANDUM

TO: ASSISTANT DIRECTOR FOR SPECIAL OPERATIONS

FROM: Chief, Foreign Division F [REDACTED]

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SUBJECT: Request for Authorization of Language Lessons for [REDACTED]

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1. [REDACTED] is an operations officer at the [REDACTED] station. In the performance of his duties, it is required that he make daily contacts with numerous [REDACTED]-speaking agents and cut-outs. [REDACTED] has some familiarity with [REDACTED] but is still a long way from being fluent. In continuing to improve his knowledge of this language, [REDACTED] can achieve better control over his agents which in turn will result in a higher grade of information directly benefiting the U.S. Government.

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2. In view of the fact that [REDACTED] has been taking lessons for several months, without prior authorization, it is requested that retroactive authorization for the study of [REDACTED] [REDACTED] not to exceed \$250 per fiscal year, be granted. This amount is to cover the fiscal year of 1950. A total of \$62.14 was spent through month of February.

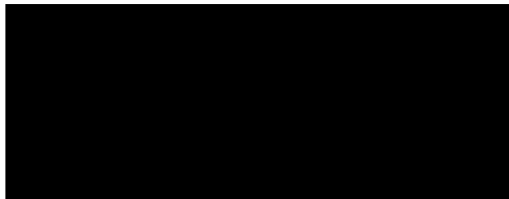
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3. It is also requested that authorization be granted for the fiscal year 1951 not to exceed the sum of \$250.

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