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Annual Report to the EIC for Fiscal Year 1961

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The EIC Working Group on Sino-Soviet Bloc Economic
Activities in Underdeveloped Areas

1. Activities during FY 1961

- a. No special reports were published by the Working Group during FY 1961.
- b. All State posts concerned continued to submit comprehensive reports of Bloc activities for use in the Semiannual Reports. Timely receipt of these reports continues to be a problem, but it is believed that the difficulty has been resolved to the most feasible extent possible.

2. Evaluation of the Role of the Working Group

- a. The Working Group has continued to produce Semiannual Reports which incorporate the interplay of political, psychological and non-economic Bloc initiatives in order to give an integrated picture of the Bloc economic offensive in the underdeveloped areas. This approach has also been employed in a number of articles appearing in the Biweekly Reports.
- b. A certain time lag is inevitable in the preparation of the publications of the Working Group because of the need to achieve proper coordination. The time required to produce these publications, however, has been reduced to a minimum by the high degree of cooperation that has characterized the Working Group and by the experience of working together for several years.

3. Future Program of the Working Group

The Working Group expects to pursue its work along present lines and to make a continuing effort to meet the expanding needs of those who use its publications.

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