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Assistant Director for Office of Operations

4 April 1949

Chief, FBIB

Progress Report for March 1949.

1. In compliance with memorandum dated 28 June 1948 to Chief, FBIB, from the Deputy Assistant Director for Operations, the FBIB monthly Progress Report is submitted for the month ending 31 March 1949.

2. In accordance with a request from the Director, four special reports, entitled "Foreign Radio Reactions to the Text of the North Atlantic Pact," were prepared for the White House. In addition, the under-mentioned reports were prepared in response to a request from State Department via OCD:

"The Soviet Radio's Campaign against the Atlantic Pact."
"Soviet Radio Attacks on the North Atlantic Pact."

3. Deputy Chief, FBIB, returned from an inspection tour of FBIB installations at London, Cairo, and Cyprus.

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4. Plans are under consideration for starting an interim operation on Okinawa on or about 1 July 1949.

5. A survey of recipients of the unclassified Daily Report and Unpublished Items was concluded. Consumer evaluation of the products was as follows:

Daily Report

Journalists and Newspapers

Radio Commentators

Govt., Quasi-Govt., & Authorized
Non-Govt. RecipientsUnpublished Items

Select Govt. Agencies

| | Indispensable | Of Considerable Value | Of Value | Of Some Interest | Questionnaires Sent | Questionnaires Recd. |
|--|---------------|-----------------------|----------|------------------|---------------------|----------------------|
| Journalists and Newspapers | 26 | 26 | 6 | 3 | | 62/61 |
| Radio Commentators | 1 | 5 | 0 | 1 | | 8/7 |
| Govt., Quasi-Govt., & Authorized Non-Govt. Recipients | 11 | 21 | 3 | 1 | | 36/36 |
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| Select Govt. Agencies | 0 | 4 | 3 | 0 | | 7/7 |

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6. At the request of OGE, means of improving the coverage from the Western Zones of Germany and Austria are being explored.

7. A project in preparation is the reorganization of the FEIB reference file with the assistance of the Biographic Register, OOD. It is proposed to change the present card file system to the viable record system and to more closely coordinate the files of the field bureaus with the departmental office.

8. A daily average of 14,000 words was filed to the NEC, an increase of approximately 1,000 words.

9. Special distribution of monitored broadcast items to selected Government agencies totaled 713 items for the month.

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