

Assistant Director for Operations

10 September 1956

Chief, FBID

Monthly Progress Report for August 1956

OPERATIONS

1. Special services rendered by FBID during August included:

a. A supplement to the Daily Report on radio and press reaction to United States and United Kingdom proposals of Asian Dan aid offers.

b. Daily roundups of the rapidly developing Suez Canal situation, carried in the "Pink Sheet" throughout the month.

c. Daily roundups of world press and radio comment on the Suez Canal prepared by the London Bureau for the Secretary of State during the London Conference. This report was also used in Washington on the B-wire.

d. A special report on Cairo broadcasts to Greece, prepared upon request of the Department of State.

e. Intensive coverage of the unidentified anti-East station broadcasting in Arabic to Egypt, and a special report to OCI on this station's location and characteristics.

f. Continuation of the special wire service to Ambassador Johnson in Geneva.

2. The FBID field reception tests in Tangier encountered many technical problems including severe interference from high powered transmitters in the area. The survey team left Tangier on 27 August for Spain, the Balearic Islands, Sicily and Tunis and will return to Tangier prior to visiting Agora.

3. The FBID survey of reception in San Jose, Costa Rica revealed that this would be a satisfactory Latin American cruising site, although reception was not as good as had been expected. Tests were also made in Lima, Peru; and Quito, Ecuador late in August. Bogota, Colombia and Panama will also be surveyed.

4. A memorandum calling attention to the 26 August Atomic Energy Commission release on Soviet detonation of a nuclear device was forwarded

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to the Special Assistant, Collection Staff, OSI. Among other things, FBID pointed out that the Soviet Union has acknowledged nuclear testing six times, not three as stated in the release.

5. New standing requirements of FBID for routine dissemination of intelligence material were furnished the Liaison Division, OGR. FBID interest in the analysis of press as well as radio material, and in the development of foreign television broadcasting was reflected therein.

6. A request of the Far East Command in Tokyo for permission to pass Official Use Only FBIS Daily Reports to the Japanese Ground Self-Defense Forces was denied on the basis of copyright protection.

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8. A report by BBC concerning interference by VOA Munich operating on 173 kcs with reception of the main Hungarian Home Service was referred to USIA. In the view of BBC engineers this interference was due to ionospheric modulation. FBIS did not question the use of 173 kcs by VOA since this is outside our province, but the fact that BBC is the sole source of material monitored from this service which is published in the FBIS Daily Report and distributed to USIA was brought to USIA attention.

9. Two broadcast items from East German transmitters mentioning CIA and Allen Dulles in connection with plots to overthrow Egyptian President Nasser, withheld from general dissemination in accordance with standing instructions, were passed to the Special Assistant, Intelligence, Department of State, by direction of the Acting DCI.

FACILITIES

10. After preliminary testing, Peking NCCIA announced a complete changeover from numeral code to facsimile transmissions using Kanji characters, effective 1 September. Hellschreiber page printers on Okinawa cannot handle such transmissions effectively, and immediate steps were taken to explore sources of suitable equipment in Japan and Germany. Tokyo Bureau was authorized to purchase Japanese equipment to handle this transmission at Okinawa at a cost of about \$2000. An additional Japanese page printer may be needed at an additional cost of about \$1500. Since the Chinese Communist Party Congress is scheduled on 15 September one tape printer from East Coast Bureau was flown to Okinawa for immediate use.

11. Several attempted thefts of antenna wire at the Hokkaido Bureau necessitated further protective measures. Each pole is wrapped with a loose skirt of barbed

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wire, and antennas are tied at every insulator so that wire can be removed only if each pole is climbed separately. These measures, plus the existing alarm system should reduce the number of such attacks.

12. Construction:

a. In Okinawa the final phase of the housing construction program is 30 per cent complete; 13 of the Bureau's 14 Khasbic antennas have been repaired; and gasoline storage and dispensing facilities at the motor pool are nearing completion.

b. The West Coast Bureau air conditioning system is again in operation after installation of a new compressor and modifications in controls.

c. Bench construction in connection with the Mediterranean Bureau monitoring booth modernization program was completed. Material for the remainder of the project has arrived at the Bureau.

ADMINISTRATION

13. A conference was held on 30 August with representatives of the War Plans Division on the FBIS position in relation to the Clandestine Services War Plan. Most of the discussion centered around command relationships, and it became apparent that the concept of FBIS autonomy in actual war theaters will impede coordination of the FBIS plan with the Agency plan. Designation of FBIS as an "exceptional operation required by national policy to be conducted independently of the military theater", as recognized by the Command Relationships paper, would probably provide the necessary headquarters operational control in time of war without sacrificing military support, and it was agreed that a re-draft of the command relationships portion of the plan would be prepared by FBIS for further consideration.

14. Several formal on-the-job training courses in FBIS are being established for Office of Training accreditation under [redacted] Courses will include a basic training program for all new employees; editorial training for all new editors; basic propaganda analysis training for editors; and propaganda analysis orientation for supervisory field editors.

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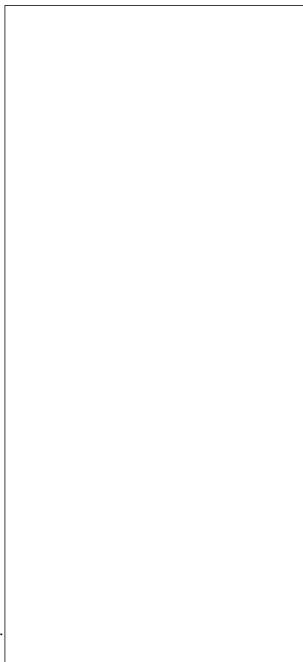
15. The native wage scales of the Saigon and Austrian Bureaus were revised upward following similar action by the U.S. Embassies in Saigon and Vienna.

16. The post differential for classified personnel in Cyprus was raised from 10 to 15 per cent on 12 August by the Department of State, and the increase was applied to FBIS.

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Reassignments (Continued)



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Info Sp(For Bdcst), GS-11 Editorial Branch	Info Sp(For Bdcst), GS-11 London Bureau	15 July 1956	
Intelligence Officer, GS-11 Saigon Bureau	Publications Editor, GS-11 Editorial Branch	29 July 1956	
Publications Editor, GS-13 Editorial Branch	Info Sp(For Bdcst), GS-13 German Bureau	12 August 1956	
Info Sp(For Bdcst), GS-8 Editorial Branch	Info Sp(For Bdcst), GS-8 West Coast Bureau	12 August 1956	
Info Sp(For Bdcst), GS-11 West Coast Bureau	Info Sp(For Bdcst), GS-11 Okinawa Bureau	12 August 1956	
Radio Operator, GS-8 West Coast Bureau	Radio Operator, GS-8 East Coast Bureau	12 August 1956	
Info Sp(For Bdcst), GS-11 Editorial Branch	Propaganda Anal Off, GS-11 Radio Propaganda Branch	26 August 1956	
Electron Eng(Radio), GS-11 Mediterranean Bureau	Electron Eng(Radio), GS-11 East Coast Bureau	26 August 1956	

5. Miscellaneous

Name Change

<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>	<u>Date</u>	
[Redacted]	[Redacted]	20 August 1956	50X1
Teleg Typwr Opr, GS-6 West Coast Bureau	Teleg Typwr Opr, GS-6 West Coast Bureau		
[Redacted]	[Redacted]	4 August 1956	50X1
Teleg Typwr Opr, GS-5 Editorial Branch	Teleg Typwr Opr, GS-5 Editorial Branch		

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6. Transfers

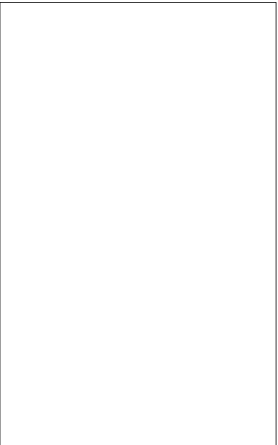
<u>Name</u>	<u>Old Title, Grade, Assignment</u>	<u>Recipient Office</u>	<u>Date</u>
Alan M. Warfield	Information Officer, GS-16 Office of the Chief	DD/S	31 August 1956

7. OO Career Service Program

a. employees have been accepted for Career Staff membership.

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b. Training Activities

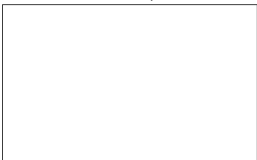


Cryptographic Training 20 - 24 August 1956	Internal
Elementary Russian Grammar and Reading 4 June - 10 August 1956	Internal
Elementary Russian (Phase I) 4 June - 27 July 1956	Internal
Intermediate Russian Reading 4 June - 10 August 1956	Internal
Johns Hopkins University - SAIS 25 June - 23 August 1956	External
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8. Foreign Travel

<u>Name of Traveler</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Date of Departure and Return</u>
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Europe and Africa	26 July 1956 - 31 January 1957
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Europe and Africa	26 July 1956 - 31 January 1957
South America	2 August 1956 - 1 October 1956

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17. The proposed FBID Table of Organization which has been under study by Management Staff and Office of Personnel for several months was revised to conform to the FBID classified ceiling of [] positions, to expedite action by Management Staff.

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18. [] of Radio Propaganda Branch, FBID, was commended by Lieutenant General G. E. Anderson, USAF in a letter to the Deputy Director of Central Intelligence, for service rendered to the Weapon System Evaluation Group, Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense when [] was on three-month detail to that group.

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19. An inspection of the Tokyo Bureau by Security Office representatives was made with generally satisfactory results. FBID also concurred in a proposed security survey of the Austrian, German and London Bureaus by representatives of the Security Office. Bureau Chiefs were directed to cooperate with the surveying officials and to seek their advice on outstanding security problems, and at the same time insure that the overt nature of the FBID operations was clearly understood.

20. Colonel L. K. White, Deputy Director (Support) visited the Tokyo Bureau on 27 August. He will also visit the Okinawa and Saigon Bureaus in the course of a trip to Agency installations in the Far East.

21. During August two persons entered on duty and one transferred out of FBID. Classified on-duty-strength at the end of the month was [] six under ceiling.

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Attachments:

- I. Field Production Report
- II. Personnel Supplement
- III. Special Requirements

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1. Daily Average of Field Bureau Production, August 1956.
(Averages computed on basis of 5-day week)

FIELD BUREAU	HOURS MONITORED	WORDAGE FILED	ITEMS FILED	ITEMS PUBLISHED
Austria	4 1/4	14,330*	21*	10*
East Coast	103 1/4	23,900	134	52
Germany	27 3/4	15,800*	59*	46*
Hokkaido	12	6,400	67	56
London	231	61,443	174	122
Mediterranean	65 1/4	37,300	221	134
Okinawa	121 1/2	26,500	95	80
Saigon	21	6,900*	20*	18*
Tokyo	28	10,500*	33*	18*
West Coast	<u>96</u>	<u>30,192</u>	<u>167</u>	<u>120</u>
Total	715	233,265	991	656

*Includes Press Scrutiny

NOTE: A daily average of 95,241 words were filed to BBC.

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PERSONNEL SUPPLEMENT TO MONTHLY PROGRESS REPORT

August 1956

1. Summary

<u>Number of Personnel</u>	<u>American</u>							<u>Native</u>		
	<u>T/O</u>	<u>Ceiling</u>	<u>On Duty</u>	<u>In Process</u>	<u>Entered On Duty</u>	<u>Promo-tions</u>	<u>Trans-ferred</u>	<u>Separated</u>	<u>T/O</u>	<u>On Duty</u>
Departmental										
U. S. Field										
Foreign Field										
Departmental & Field (Total)										

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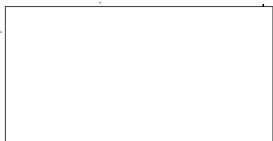
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2. Personnel Entering on Duty

Name, Title, Grade

Assignment

Date



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Editorial Branch (Transferred from Personnel)

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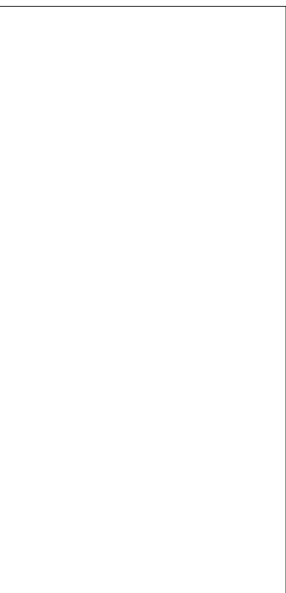
3. Promotions

Name

Old Title, Grade
Assignment

New Title, Grade
Assignment

Date



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East Coast Bureau

Teleg Typwr Opr, GS-4
East Coast Bureau

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Brdcst Mon(Multi), GS-7
East Coast Bureau

Info Sp(For Bdcst), GS-9
Editorial Branch

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Info Sp(For Bdcst), GS-9
Mediterranean Bureau

Info Sp(For Bdcst), GS-11
Mediterranean Bureau

29 July 1956

Electron Eng(Radio), GS-9
Okinawa Bureau

Electron Eng(Radio), GS-11
Okinawa Bureau

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Propaganda Anal Off, GS-12
Radio Propaganda Branch

Propaganda Anal Off, GS-13
Radio Propaganda Branch

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Propaganda Anal Off, GS-9
Radio Propaganda Branch

Propaganda Anal Off, GS-11
Radio Propaganda Branch

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Info Sp(For Bdcst), GS-7
East Coast Bureau

Info Sp(For Bdcst), GS-9
East Coast Bureau

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Info Sp(For Bdcst), GS-12
Hokkaido Bureau

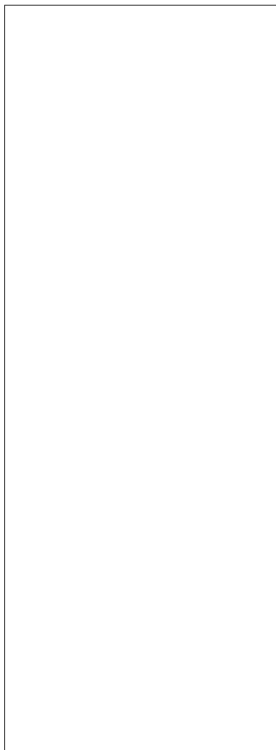
Publications Editor, GS-13
Editorial Branch

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Promotions (Continued)



Personnel Asst, GS-9 Administrative Staff	Administrative Officer, GS-11 Okinawa Bureau	12 August 1956	50X1
Info Sp(For Bdcst), GS-5 Field Operations Staff	Info Sp(For Bdcst), GS-6 Field Operations Staff	12 August 1956	
Clerk (Steno), GS-4 Office of the Chief	Clerk (Steno), GS-5 Office of the Chief	12 August 1956	
Clerk Typist, GS-4 Radio Propaganda Branch	Clerk Typist, GS-5 Radio Propaganda Branch	12 August 1956	
Brdcst Mon(Multi), GS-8 West Coast Bureau	Brdcst Mon(Multi), GS-10 West Coast Bureau	12 August 1956	
Info Sp(For Bdcst), GS-12 Editorial Branch	Info Sp(For Bdcst), GS-13 Editorial Branch	26 August 1956	
Info Sp(For Bdcst), GS-12 Editorial Branchq	Info Sp(For Bdcst), GS-13 Editorial Branch	26 August 1956	
Info Sp(For Bdcst), GS-12 East Coast Bureau	Info Sp(For Bdcst), GS-13 Tokyo Bureau	26 August 1956	
Brdcst Mon(Multi), GS-9 West Coast Bureau	Brdcst Mon(Multi), GS-10 West Coast Bureau	26 August 1956	
Electron Eng(Radio), GS-11 East Coast Bureau	Electron Eng(Radio), GS-12 Mediterranean Bureau	26 August 1956	

4. Reassignments

Name

Old Title, Grade
Assignment

New Title, Grade
Assignment

Date



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Editorial Branch

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East Coast Bureau

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Chief, FBID

4 September 1956

Administrative Officer, FBID

Notes for Progress Report

1. Effective 29 July 1956 the wage scale of the FBIS Saigon Bureau was revised upward by approximately 25%. This followed similar action taken by the U. S. Embassy, Saigon.

2. Effective 27 August 1956, the local wage scale of the Austrian Embassy was revised upward, which action was followed by the Chief, FBIS Austrian Bureau.

3. [redacted] assumed the duties of Chief, Tokyo Bureau on 1 September 1956.

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4. One formal on-the-job training program, "FBID Basic Training Program" was forwarded to the Director of Training for accreditation under [redacted]. Two additional programs, "Basic Propaganda Analysis Training for FBID Editors" and "Propaganda Analysis Orientation for FBID Field Editors" have been evolved and will also be submitted to OTR.

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5. During August, 2 persons entered on duty and one transferred out of the Division. Classified on-duty strength at the end of the month was [redacted] 6 under ceiling.

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6. Representation to the Department of State proved effective in that the Post Differential for Cyprus was raised to 15% on 12 August 1956.

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SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS CONTROL

CONTROL NO.	REQUESTING OFFICE CONTROL NO.	REQUESTING OFFICE	DATE RECEIVED	ACTION DESK	DESCRIPTION	DATE DESIRED	DATE COMPLETED	REMARKS
R-163-56	RD C-1307	OCZ	24 May	BIS	Radio facilities linking Viet Minh with Communist China	RAF	22 Aug	
CR-175-56		State	3 Aug	EM Br	Copy of all unpublished West German material	Cont		
R-176-56		UNIA	7 Aug	Opt O	Periodic check of Station WHUL for strength and readability	RAF		
R-177-56		UNIA	3 Aug	ECB	A week's summary of Radio Rabat's broadcasts to the Arab World	10 Aug	10 Aug	For [] IBM 50X1
CR-178-56		OCI	6 Aug	EA Br	All code messages broadcast by anti-Jewish Arabic station	Cont		For DAR/CI
CR-181-56		OCI	14 Aug	Red Da	Regular forwarding of the Turkish newspaper HAKKIN Resit to the requestor	Cont		For [] OCI 50X1