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MEMORANDUM FOR: Bureau Chiefs
FROM: Chief, FBIS
SUBJECT: Letter of Instruction

GENERAL

1. Developments on the African Project during the month:

- a. The Secretary of State directed the US Ambassador, London, to open negotiations for an agreement with the British and Nigerian Governments to cover establishment of the FBIS station at Kaduna.
- b. Preparation of building plans by FBIS and Real Estate and Construction Division engineers continued.
- c. [redacted], presently Chief, Hokkaido Bureau was chosen as Chief of the new station. He was directed to depart from Hokkaido on 10 March 1960 and to report to Headquarters on 28 March to receive necessary orientation and guidance for his new assignment. [redacted]

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2. [redacted] Kurdish monitor applicant living in New York, accepted an offer of FBIS employment on Cyprus as a contract employee. Pending security clearance he will continue his employment with ICA. Another promising Kurdish monitor applicant was located by the London Bureau, which was authorized to hire him for Cyprus employment, after obtaining his provisional clearance. [redacted]

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3. The Okinawa Bureau cruising monitor, [redacted] was sent to Saigon for three weeks TDY to assist in determining Indonesian/Malay coverage for the newly assigned Indonesian monitor. Soon after the arrival of the Indonesian monitor in Saigon, the Central Sumatra Revolutionary Radio appeared after being unheard for almost four months. [redacted]

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4. The Panama Post was authorized to utilize its teletypist, [redacted] as a Spanish monitor during and immediately after the President's South American tour, to permit the post to increase coverage of the Caribbean area commitment. [redacted]

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5. A special report was prepared for the AAD/O on the Cambodian dissident "Khmer Freedom Movement" station. In addition, the Broadcast Information Section has advised DDP/FE daily on the activities of the station. [redacted]

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6. On 9 February a special service was initiated at the request of the Tokyo Bureau on behalf of its local customers. The request embraces the selection and relay to Tokyo by Headquarters of Soviet leader speeches and statements, official policy pronouncements, key editorials, etc., filed by the London Bureau, which deal with the Far East in general and Japan in particular. Handling procedure is to refile on the Washington-Tokyo allocated circuit any items in these categories previously carried on the FBIS Wire Service. [REDACTED]

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7. Of 273 items included in OCI's Current Intelligence Digest during February, 69 (25 percent) were based wholly or in part on FBIS monitoring. [REDACTED]

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8. By way of information and to impress upon field personnel the impact made by their daily professional contributions, we should like to call attention to the wide-ranging distribution given to FBIS' publications. The figures given below are current and are cited here to emphasize the dependency of the intelligence community upon FBIS as an overt collector of intelligence information, and to point up the vital role field personnel play as the initial source in this collection process. The Breakdown:

<u>Publication</u>	<u>Copies</u>	<u>Consumers</u>	
<u>The Daily Report</u>			
USSR & EE	686	162	
ME & WE	556	149	
LA	297	91	
FE	609	159	
White Book	<u>673</u>	<u>369</u>	
	2821	930	Totals
<u>World Reaction Report</u>	594	92	
<u>Trends of Communist Bloc Broadcasts</u>	341	83	
<u>Survey of Communist Bloc Broadcasts</u>	403	101	

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<u>Publication</u>	<u>Copies</u>	<u>Consumers</u>
<u>Radio Propaganda Report</u>	491	98
<u>Operational Developments</u>	243	62
<u>Station and Program Notes</u>	243	62
<u>Program Schedules</u>		
I (Communist World)	221	52
II (WE & Americas)	203	49
III (Africa, Free Asia and Oceania)	206	49
<u>Economic Information Cards</u>		
USSR	24 (sets)	17
FE	27 (sets)	15
<u>Broadcasting Stations of the World</u>	250 (sets)	50X1

The daily production and distribution of more than 2,800 copies of the Daily Report make it by far the biggest job our printers handle on a daily basis. Not only do they handle the mimeograph printing job, but also the packaging and all preparations for local, out-of-town, overseas-airmail, and diplomatic pouch deliveries. This entire production job is handled between 4:00 p.m. and midnight every workday by a staff of 11 persons.

PROPAGANDA ANALYSIS COMMENT 50X1

1. Radio Propaganda Reports (Responsible analyst indicated in parentheses):

- a. "Soviet Views on National Sovereignty in Outer Space" 50X1
- b. "Soviet Propaganda on Reconnaissance Satellites," requested by OCB and by the Special Assistant to the Secretary of State for Disarmament and Atomic Energy 50X1

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2. Propaganda Analysis Items on the FBIS Wire (responsible analyst indicated in parentheses):

- a. "TRUP Says Accident Resulting from SAC Airborne Alert Could Trigger War" [redacted] 50X1
- b. "East Germans Imply Warsaw Pact Support for GDR Rocket Weapons" [redacted] 50X1
- c. "Soviet Reaction to Difficulties of the Orthodox Iraqi Communist Party" [redacted] 50X1
- d. "Bloc Reaction to the President's Latin American Tour" [redacted] 50X1

3. New RPB Special Services:

- a. All references to disarmament in Khrushchev's speeches since January 1959 were assembled for the Agency representative with the US delegation preparing for the March disarmament negotiations.
- b. Published RPB reports on the Soviet propaganda effort against the Shah of Iran were forwarded to the Bohlen Soviet affairs staff at the State Department, as a first step in meeting a requirement--in preparation for the May summit talks--for evidence of how Soviet propaganda belies its talk of coexistence.
- c. A memorandum summing up satellite propaganda attitudes toward the Tibetan revolt and the Sino-Indian border dispute was prepared for ONE.
- d. A report on the clandestine "National Voice of Iran" was prepared for PP Staff, updating two November 1959 reports for the same requestor on communist clandestine radios.
- e. Two special services were rendered to members of Congress through the Office of the Legislative Counsel:
 - (1) a review of Moscow's Arabic-language treatment of Israel and of the recent West German anti-Semitic incidents, for Senator Dodd; and
 - (2) a memorandum on bloc propaganda treatment of the US chemical and biological warfare program, for Representative Kastenmeier.

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- f. RPB's card index of Soviet leaders' statements on "war themes" was made available to a staff researcher from the Office of the Secretary of the Air Force.
4. Continuing Special Services:
- a. Propaganda-analysis report No. 132 on the Geneva nuclear test-ban talks was sent to OCI on 19 February for the US delegation at the talks.
5. The following are among Radio Propaganda Reports projected for late March and April (responsible analyst indicated in parentheses):
- a. Soviet Propaganda on the German Question--reviewing the development of the Soviet position in anticipation of the summit talks. 50X1
- b. Bloc Propaganda on the Chinese Communes--in response to a continuing OCI requirement for studies of where the various satellites stand on questions at issue between Moscow and Peking. 50X1
- c. Evolution of Khrushchev's Position on the Transition to Communism--a research study. 50X1
- d. Soviet Outer-Space Projects and Programming: December 1959-March 1960--in a regular series of quarterly reports for OSI's Guided Missiles Division 50X1
- e. Soviet Propaganda on Civil Defense--semiannual report in the series requested by the National Indications Center. 50X1
6. Field Support of the Radio Propaganda Branch
- a. The Okinawa Bureau's interpretation of the new guidance on the weekly roundups of CPR regional broadcasts has been very satisfactory. The revised format has made the roundups considerably more useful to RPB, and it is hoped that there will also be a saving of time at the Bureau.
- b. Compilers of the Peking commentary lists are reminded again of the necessity for clear descriptions of items that have not been processed. One recent listing, for example, referred to "a report on U.K. press exposure of U. S. plot to gain time from

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East-West conference to boost military position." Analysts could not tell what conference was meant (the current test-ban talks, the projected disarmament talks, the coming summit talks, or simply negotiations in general). Another recent listing included a four-minute item described simply as "on Taiwan," leaving it entirely unclear whether or not the key issue of "liberation" was involved.

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EDITORIAL BRANCH COMMENTGeneral

1. During February 82 percent of Daily Report pages were devoted to radio material.

2. a. [redacted] has been named acting chief of the Far East Section of the Daily Report vice [redacted] who is orienting for transfer to Hokkaido Bureau.

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b. Unsolicited reaction roundups filed by various bureaus in connection with the French atomic test in the Sahara and President Eisenhower's tour of Latin America were appreciated by Daily Report editors and proved particularly useful to the Projects Editor in preparing daily briefings and the "pink sheet."

c. With the curtailment by Communist China of foreign subscriptions to its domestic publications, the intelligence community is relying more heavily than ever on FBIS sources for information on CPR internal affairs, particularly economic data. Editors are accordingly alerted to the need for increased processing of Communist Chinese economic materials, both for Daily Report publication and as economic abstracts.

ENGINEERING AND FIELD OPERATIONS

1. The Technical Material Corporation long and medium-wave multicoupler continues to be in operational demand at the East Coast Bureau. TMC has assured FBIS that the unit can be retained for test and trial purposes for as long as required, which assures improved intercept of Cuban medium wave transmissions during the current critical period in that country. The multicoupler meets or betters FBIS technical specifications.

2. In support of television monitoring, a Polaroid Model 95A still camera was tested. TV reception in the Matomic Building approximates fringe area reception, which is about what can be expected at overseas bureaus, yet good pictures with fair detail were made using the Polaroid system. Polaroid cameras produce prints in one minute, which would be of value in monitoring some types of TV programs, but would not, fully replace the Robot Star camera with its rapid sequence picture-taking feature of thirty-six to fifty frames on one roll of film. Polaroid Model 95A cameras are being requisitioned for the German, Austrian and Tokyo Bureaus.

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3. Study of plans and estimates for extension of the operations building at the Okinawa Bureau was begun during the month. The addition will provide shop and storage facilities adjacent to the main radio room and release an area in the north administrative wing for a first aid room, an expanded kitchen/dining facility and expanded administrative office space.

4. Recent misuse of the precedent (OO), operational immediate, by some bureaus, suggests that bureaus should review instruction concerning use of message precedents.

5. Bureaus are reminded that a word of explanation as to the reasons for the deletion of a program should be made on the semi-monthly coverage change report, if such reasons are not obvious from other information contained in the report.

6. Bureaus are reminded that programs listed in the FBIS coverage schedule, with priority rating 2, 3, or 4, and indicating specific days covered, must be recorded regardless of whether or not the belt is processed. Bureaus desiring to retain priority 2, 3, and 4, programs on coverage and not record the program, should revise coverage listings to indicate days covered as "irregular."

7. During February the Broadcast Information Section prepared the following special reports for the FBIS wire:

- a. the inauguration of Portuguese broadcasts by Radio Bucharest.
- b. the inauguration of a powerful mediumwave station in Southwest China by Radio Peking for broadcasts to Southeast Asia.
- c. the return to the air of the Cambodian dissident "Khmer Freedom" station.
- d. the reappearance of Russian broadcasts on Radio Teheran.
- e. the inauguration of FIN "Voice of Algerian Republic" broadcasts on the Tunis shortwave station.

8. All essential operating positions at the West Coast Bureau were changed over to the new Dictalog (Magnetic belt) recording and transcribing equipment early in February. Minor equipment modifications are still to be made.

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1. Bureaus are requested to acknowledge administrative messages within 24 hours of receipt, stating when full answer can be expected, if message cannot be completely answered within that period of time.

2. Bureaus are requested to direct all property and inventory inquiries, except those regarding technical and electronics equipment, to the Chief, Administrative Staff.

3. Bureaus are reminded that replaced vehicles are to be disposed of within a reasonable time (60-90 days) after the replacement vehicle is received. Circumstances requiring an exception to this rule should be set forth in a memorandum or wire to the Chief, FBIS.

4. If the effective date of a Step Increase for an alien employee is delayed, a statement regarding the reason for the delay must accompany the Step Increase action to Headquarters.

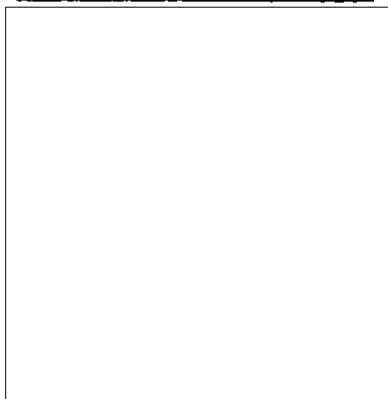
5. The following FBIS regulatory issuances were released during the month of February:



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PERSONNEL CHANGES

1. New Employees in FBIS



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ECB

Secretary
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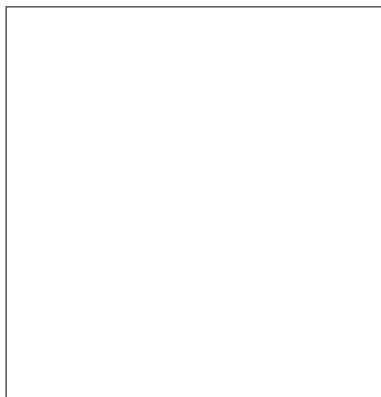
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RPB

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Editorial Br.

Teletypist
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2. Reassignments



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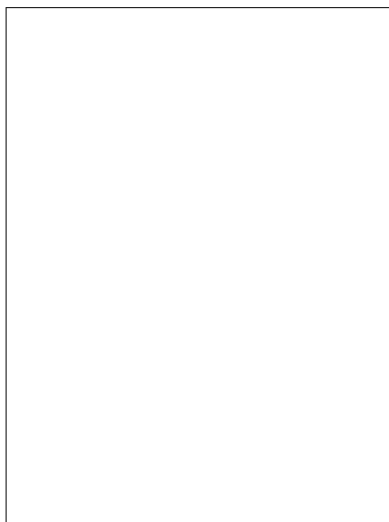
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