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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, FBIS
THROUGH : Chief, Operations Group
SUBJECT : Monthly Report--Paraguay Bureau--July 1986

I. GENERAL

On the occasion of Bureau Chief [redacted] departure for the "hotter" climes of Tel Aviv Bureau, the Bureau held two parties to send him off. The first was a Paraguayan-style barbecue at the home of Senior Editor [redacted]. It was held on Sunday, 13 July, to allow all of the Bureau's families to attend. On the 19th, Deputy Chief [redacted] hosted a cocktail party to which the Bureau's local staff as well as Ambassador Taylor, Embassy principals, and many other official community Americans were invited. Despite the situation in Chile and airline strikes, Deputy Assistant Secretary of State for American Republic Affairs Robert Belbard, who was making an official visit to Paraguay, was able to attend the party. The surprise visitor of the night was the Venezuelan Ambassador to Paraguay, who applied the "good neighbor policy" and dropped in unannounced and met with Mr Belbard.

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In comments to the Bureau Chief, Mr Belbard said that he was happy to finally meet with someone from FBIS and to be able to express his "strong appreciation" of FBIS' work. He commented that he has been an avid reader of FBIS products for many years.

During his 26 June - 1 July TDY to the American Embassy Santiago, Deputy Chief [redacted] met with DCM Jones, other Embassy principals, and the local USIS and B&F officers handling the Bureau's account in Santiago. He also met with the Santiago contractor and discussed operational issues. In his meetings with the Embassy officers, [redacted] found high appreciation and respect for the Bureau's coverage of Chilean events. The Chief of the Political Section summed up the Embassy's opinion of the Bureau's coverage: "The problem is that when you do such a great job, what can I add."

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The Bureau filed 13,600 words from ROSET sources during July, the highest wordage since ROSET operations began in May. The wordage was distributed fairly evenly among Brasilia EBN, Brasilia Radio da Amazonia Network, and Brasilia Domestic Service. With the television newscast content surveys nearing completion, the Bureau anticipates placing some Brazilian television newscasts on coverage soon.

II. OPERATIONS

A. Monitorial/Editorial

1. The political situation and unrest in Chile was the Bureau's primary focus of attention in July. On the 2d and 3d, the National Civic Assembly (ANC), a grouping of the most important civic associations seeking to end the 13-year-old regime of President Pinochet, staged a national stoppage. The stoppage resulted in at least 8 deaths, 800 arrests, and restrictions placed on the reporting of 4 Santiago radio stations. The major reverberations, however, were caused by the alleged burning alive of two youths by a military patrol. The military at first denied any responsibility and then reversed itself and turned 25 military men over to the courts. Of these 25, 24 were released by the presiding judge and the 25th was charged with negligence, for not caring for the youths when they were found. The government's actions have been condemned by most sectors of the Chilean public.

2. On the 10th, President Pinochet said in a speech that he planned to stay in power after 1989, when elections are scheduled to be held, according to the Constitution. This caused a major domestic and international uproar and prompted contradictory statements by the other members of the Government Junta, revealing cracks in Pinochet's closest circles. A week later, Pinochet reversed himself, explaining that he had been misunderstood.

3. Peruvian President Alan Garcia celebrated his first anniversary in office on the 28th by delivering a 3-hour State of the Nation address before a joint session of Congress. The Bureau covered the speech live through a phone patch provided by the Lima contractor, and Panama Bureau provided backstop coverage off its ROSET for video purposes. The Bureau remained open late the night of the speech to clear the 16 takes of excerpts selected. Making good on its threat to retaliate against government and ruling party officials, the Shining Path increased attacks on government and ruling party officials and offices.

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4. Argentina was the scene of several meetings on subregional integration in July. On the 28th, Brazilian President Jose Sarney arrived in Buenos Aires for talks with President Raul Alfonsin on an integration agreement between the two countries, which many observers regard as the initial steps toward the creation of a Latin American common market. Uruguayan President Banguinetti arrived the next day to take part in the talks and a communique was issued on Uruguayan participation in the scheme. The talks concluded with the signing of agreements calling for increased joint production, technological exchanges, trade, and development projects.

5. In Bolivia, The U.S. Army and Bolivian forces are cooperating in the fight against narcotics trafficking in the country. The presence of some 160 U.S. military advisers and technicians has sparked off protests among political and union circles, ranging from calls for impeachment proceedings against President Paz Estenssoro to strikes and stoppages. Thus far, the joint operation has resulted in the destruction of several cocaine manufacturing installations but few arrests.

6. The Paraguayan Colorado Party held precinct elections in Asuncion and the metropolitan area on 27 July. Since multi-candidate elections had not been held in many years and since many felt they would be a barometer of President Stroessner's power base, there was much interest in the outcome. The "militant" faction, which faithfully supports Stroessner, won 16 of the precincts against the 9 of the "traditionalist," which ostensibly supports Stroessner but is rumored to favor a civilian candidate for the 1988 presidential election.

B. Latelcal Services

1. During Mr Gelbard's visit, the Bureau provided him with our file as well as other bureaus' copy on South America. We also presented him with a video compendium of reports on his visit from Paraguayan television stations.

2. At the request of the BBC, the Bureau filed several items on the pretrial legal proceedings against several individuals accused of hiding and aiding Nazi war criminal Josef Mengele in Brazil.

C. Communications

The Bureau has been advised by Headquarters that it has received an offer to upgrade the primary communications circuit from 75 to 150 baud.

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D. Cruising

During the month, the cruiser continued to cruise-out Brasilsat A1 with good results. He located and cruised-out Rio de Janeiro Rede Manchete Television on a new carrier signal at RF 3917 MHZ. He also cruised-out Sao Paulo TVB Television Network and the Brazilian television shared carrier signals at RF 4084 and 4185 MHZ, which carry programs by Sao Paulo Televisao Cultural, Rio de Janeiro TV Educativa, Brasilia Televisao Nacional, Globo Television, and Bandeirantes Television. In addition, he located Buenos Aires Argentina Televisora Color Network on the Intelsat 27.5W for possible backstop of the Bureau's terrestrial coverage.

E. Technical

Preventive maintenance was performed on the remote equipment at the Bureau and on the antennas at the remote site in Luque. In addition, the Bureau has forwarded to Headquarters for approval bids to replace the towers on the Bureau's rhombic antenna. The motors in the new IBM Selectric III typewriters that the Bureau recently received are continuing to burn out. From the 10 new motors we received in March, the Bureau is down to 1 and has ordered 20 more as spares. Logs and FSB/FED are working with IBM to solve the problem.

III. ADMINISTRATION**Personnel**

[redacted] the Bureau's newest monitor-trainee, EOD'ed on the 10th. His entrance on duty puts the Bureau one monitor over the authorized ceiling, but this was authorized by Headquarters so we could have him fully trained and operational before Chief Monitor [redacted] [redacted] retires in February.

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1. Deputy Assistant Secretary of State Robert Belbard, accompanied by Ambassador Taylor, visited the Bureau on the 22d and was given a tour and briefing of the office by the Bureau Chief.

2. The new Deputy Chief of Mission, James E. Mack, visited the Bureau on the 28th and was given a tour and briefing by the Acting Bureau Chief.

3. Deputy Chief [redacted] TDY'ed to the American Embassy Santiago 26 June - 1 July.

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4. Bureau Chief [redacted] departed post 23 July for his new PCS assignment as Bureau Chief of Tel Aviv Bureau.

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5. Bureau Technician [redacted] attended the Spanish-Latin American Association Telecommunications Research and Study Centers (ANCIET) conference in Caracas from 27 July to 1 August. He was sponsored by ANTELCO, the government telecommunications monopoly, for research he had conducted in rural communications in Paraguay. From Caracas, he TDY'ed to Panama Bureau 1-4 August for an orientation on the ROSET operations.

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V. COMMUNITY AFFAIRS

Bureau personnel were saddened by the death on the 31st of the mother of Technician [redacted]

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At the request of the Embassy Administrative Officer, the Bureau Chief gave a lecture to the American Boy Scouts of Asuncion on communications, their types and uses. He also discussed examples of the types of final products for communications.

[redacted] was elected president of the Commissary Board. His wife, [redacted] was reelected Secretary.

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A/Chief, FBIS Paraguay Bureau

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Paraguay Bureau Production Report for July 1986

I. TOTALS FROM ALL SOURCES:

TOTAL PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	274000
TOTAL NON-PUBLISHABLE WORDAGE FILED DURING MONTH:	107890
TOTAL NUMBER OF PUBLISHABLE ITEMS FILED DURING MONTH:	804

	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
II. INPUT OF REGULAR COVERAGE: (minutes or issues per week)	9376.00 min.	39840.00 min.	174.23 issues

III. OUTPUT FROM ALL SOURCES:
(publishable words per month)

ARGENTINA

Buenos Aires Argentina Televisora Color Network in Spanish	2780		
Buenos Aires Domestic Service in Spanish	3740		
Formosa LT 88 Television in Spanish	0		
Buenos Aires DYN in Spanish		3440	
Buenos Aires NOTICIAS ARGENTINAS in Spanish		11830	
Buenos Aires TELAM in Spanish		17400	
Buenos Aires BUENOS AIRES HERALD in English			700
Buenos Aires CLARIN in Spanish			440
Buenos Aires GENTE in Spanish			0
Buenos Aires LA NACION in Spanish			1270
Buenos Aires LA PRENSA in Spanish			0
Buenos Aires TIEMPO ARGENTINO in Spanish			280

BOLIVIA

La Paz La Red Panamericana in Spanish	14660		
La Paz Radio Illimani in Spanish	210		
La Paz El Diario in Spanish			1440

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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
La Paz PRESENCIA in Spanish			1020
BRAZIL			
Brasilia Domestic Service in Portuguese	3900		
Brasilia Radio Nacional da Amazonia Network in Portuguese	4690		
Porto Alegre Radio Guaiba in Portuguese	0		
Rio de Janeiro Radio Globo in Portuguese	0		
Sao Paulo Radio Bandeirantes in Portuguese	80		
Brasilia EBN in Portuguese		4930	
Rio de Janeiro AJB in Portuguese		80	
Rio de Janeiro JORNAL DO BRASIL in Portuguese			5000
Rio de Janeiro MANCHETE in Portuguese			0
Rio de Janeiro O GLOBO in Portuguese			7150
Sao Paulo FOLHA DE SAO PAULO in Portuguese			2730
Sao Paulo O ESTADO DE SAO PAULO in Portuguese			1540
Sao Paulo VEJA in Portuguese			0
CHILE			
Santiago Domestic Service in Spanish	15340		
Santiago Radio Chilena in Spanish	23500		
Santiago Television Service in Spanish	860		
Santiago QUE PASA in Spanish			0
Santiago ANALISIS in Spanish			4100
Santiago CAUCE in Spanish			2750
Santiago COSAS in Spanish			760
Santiago EL MERCURIO in Spanish			15410

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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
Santiago HOY in Spanish			1310
Santiago LA TERCERA DE LA HORA in Spanish			3510
Santiago MENSAJE in Spanish			0
CHINA			
Beijing Beijing in Spanish	0		
FRANCE			
Paris AFP in Spanish		24190	
PARAGUAY			
Asuncion Radio Nanduti in Spanish	980		
Asuncion Cerro Cora Sistema Nacional de Television in Spanish	0		
Asuncion Domestic Service in Spanish	680		
Asuncion Radio Primero de Marzo in Spanish	0		
Asuncion Red Privada de Teledifusora Paraguaya Television in Spanish	370		
Asuncion EL DIARIO in Spanish			1590
Asuncion EL PUEBLO in Spanish			990
Asuncion HOY in Spanish			5240
Asuncion LA TARDE in Spanish			2070
Asuncion PATRIA in Spanish			1760
Asuncion SENDERO in Spanish			0
Asuncion ULTIMA HORA in Spanish			1740
PERU			
Lima Cadena America Television in Spanish	0		

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	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
Lima Canal 9 Television in Spanish	490		
Lima Domestic Service in Spanish	14780		
Lima Latinoamericana Television in Spanish	0		
Lima Panamericana Television Network in Spanish	4250		
Lima Radio del Pacifico in Spanish	1630		
Lima Radioprogramas del Peru in Spanish	1120		
Lima Television Peruana in Spanish	1330		
Lima CARETAS in Spanish			1470
Lima EL COMERCIO in Spanish			290
Lima EL DIARIO MARKA in Spanish			0
Lima EXPRESO Spanish			0
Lima LA REPUBLICA in Spanish			110
SPAIN			
Madrid in Spanish to Latin America Spanish	640		
Madrid EFE in Spanish		38500	
URUGUAY			
Montevideo Radio Carve in Spanish	800		
Montevideo Radio El Espectador in Spanish	1040		
Montevideo LA HORA in Spanish			5560
Montevideo EL DIA in Spanish			300
USSR			
Moscow Radio Magallanes in Spanish	690		
Moscow Radio Peace and Progress in Spanish to Latin America	0		

	BROAD- CASTS	PRESS AGENCIES	PUBLI- CATIONS
Moscow in Portuguese to Brazil	0		
Moscow in Spanish to Latin America	800		
Moscow in Spanish to Chile	3740		
Moscow in Spanish to Cuba	0		

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