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11 JUL 1958

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief of Operations, DD/P

SUBJECT : Project HARVARD (Renewal)

1. The attached project, originating in EE Division, is presented for approval of its renewal for the period 1 July 1958 through 30 June 1959. This project provides for the staff and facilities necessary in Frankfurt to accomplish the rehabilitation and resettlement program for defectors, agents, and agent-trainees when their usefulness to CIA has been exploited.

2. Authority is requested to obligate [] from the DD/P-EE Division operating budget for fiscal year 1959, subject to the availability of funds. This estimate is less than the [] estimate for the past fiscal year due to the deletion of the costs for rents and utilities and the salaries of indigenous personnel which are now provided for under Project CABEZONE (DRC).

3. The attached memorandum, prepared by the Division, reviews the accomplishments and method of operation of the project noting that an estimated 80 persons were handled under the project for resettlement during the past fiscal year. A significant development has been the reestablishment of the Canadian resettlement channel through which two HARVARD cases have entered Canada during the past year for permanent residence. The Station's estimate of 120 persons requiring resettlement during the new fiscal year is cited by the Division as being a "safe average figure" on which to plan due to the many operational exigencies which can quickly and unexpectedly increase the resettlement caseload on the project.

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4. I recommend approval of the request for the renewal as presented.

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FI/OPS Division

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Foreign Intelligence

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Project Outline HARVARD

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Foreign Intelligence
ATTENTION: Chief, FI Operations Division
SUBJECT: Renewal of Project HARVARD
REFERENCE: Memorandum from Chief, FI to Chief, EE/FI,
dated 9 April 1958, Subject as above

1. The referenced memorandum stated that Project HARVARD would expire on 30 June 1958.

2. Renewal of Project HARVARD is hereby requested for the period 1 July 1958 through 30 June 1959.

3. Attached is an outline of Project HARVARD reflecting its current objectives, capabilities and accomplishments during Fiscal Year 1958. A summary of its overall accomplishments since inception of the Project is included.

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Project Outline

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PROJECT OUTLINE

CRYPTONYM HARVARD HEADQUARTERS CASE OFFICER:
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The attached project outline is presented for renewal.

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PROJECT OUTLINE

CRYPTONYM: HARVARD

A. Target Area

Germany.

B. Operational Objectives

Project HARVARD was originally designed to provide safehouse and operational aid facilities for all CIA activities in Germany. The scope of HARVARD's responsibilities was enlarged in 1952 to include the rehabilitation and resettlement of defectors, agents, trainees and informants. In its rehabilitation and resettlement efforts, which have comprised the main bulk of HARVARD's activities since 1952, HARVARD strives, within the limits of its capabilities, to resettle these people with a view to their future usefulness for defector inducement and psychological warfare purposes. In effect HARVARD handles the resettlement aspects of the Defector Program to which, under NSCID Number 13, CIA is committed.

HARVARD is also available to render assistance to CIA area divisions and United States intelligence agencies in the European Theater who need help in their resettlement problems. In this manner existing resettlement assets are pooled and parallel or duplicate activities are held to a minimum.

C. Accomplishments and Method of Operation

The number of resettlements accomplished by HARVARD for each fiscal year since 1953 is as follows:

FY 1953	---	95
FY 1954	---	182
FY 1955	---	61
FY 1956	---	114
FY 1957	---	194
FY 1958	---	80 (estimate) (90) 7 1/2

It should be noted that the high level of activity during FY 1957 was the direct result of the influx of refugees from Hungary following the October 1956 uprising.

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The success of the HARVARD operations depends to a very great extent upon close cooperation with United States consular, immigration and Escapee Program officials, private welfare agencies, and, to lesser extent, foreign consular representatives. Whenever practicable, resettlement is effected on the local German economy. This is true in the case of nearly all disposeses of German nationality.

Upon assuming custody of a resettlement case, HARVARD provides for immediate housing and subsistence, arranges for legalization of the individual's status in Germany, takes care of personal needs, welfare and morale problems, arranges for medical and dental examinations and treatment as necessary, arranges for language instruction and vocational training, handles official formalities involving births, marriages, name changes, European travel, etc. At the termination of a resettlement case, HARVARD arranges, through the Inter-Governmental Committee for European Migration, for transportation to the final overseas destination, at no cost to CIA.

HARVARD arranges resettlement abroad in those cases in which it is considered inadvisable or impossible to accomplish the resettlement in Germany. HARVARD initiates all action necessary to this end either through direct liaison with consular officials or through a welfare agency, as appropriate. In the case of United States immigration, procedures have ranged from normal immigration to the use of Public Law 110 (Section 8), the Refugee Relief Act also known as Public Law 203, and the current refugee immigration measure - Public Law 316 of the 85th Congress. Arrangements have been made for sponsorship of nearly all Public Law 316 cases by private welfare organizations in the United States, thus relieving the Office of Operations of a considerable burden and expense.

The reestablishment of the Canadian resettlement channel during the past year is of considerable significance. Since January 1958, two HARVARD resettlement cases have entered Canada for permanent residence. It is anticipated that this channel will be of ever increasing importance in the future.

Of the 63 cases resettled during the first ten months of FY 1958, the disposition was as follows:

Immigration to the United States.....	6
Immigration to Canada.....	2
Employment in Germany.....	38
U.S. Army Alien Enlistment Program.....	3
Transfer to U.S. Escapee Program.....	12
Transferred to Operational Elements.....	2
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D. As an integral part of the Defector Reception Center, HARVARD has access to that organization's extensive safehouse and administrative resources. The HARVARD staff consists of seven people, including a Chief (GS-13), two Senior Resettlement Officers (GS-12), three Resettlement Officers (GS-11) and one Administrative Assistant (GS-7). With its present staff and physical assets, HARVARD is capable of handling upwards of 60 disposal cases simultaneously.

E. Costs

It is estimated that the cost of Project HARVARD during FY 1959 will be [] This estimate is broken down as follows:

Rents and Utilities.....	(see below)	47 600	
Indigenous Personnel - Salaries.....	(see below)	9 600	
Travel.....	\$ 12,000.00	20 000	
Resettlement Payments.....	[]		
Operational Entertainment.....	1,000.00	1 000	
Transportation of Things.....	4,000.00	11 000	2 200 1 000
Other Contractual Services.....	5,000.00	5 000	4 000 1 000
Communications Costs.....	500.00	900	
Supplies and Materials.....	5,500.00	9 550	

Rents and Utilities and Indigenous Personnel Salaries

Since the merging of HARVARD with Project CABEZONE, the latter Project has provided the needed safehouse facilities. All HARVARD safehouse expenses are met from CABEZONE funds. The same is true of the indigenous personnel salaries.

Travel (\$12,000.00)

While it is difficult to estimate accurately the number of cases HARVARD will resettle within the coming fiscal year, 120 may be taken as a safe average figure. Based on an average expenditure of \$100.00 per case for travel and relocation, it is estimated that the above figure represents the required amount.

Resettlement Payments []

This amount includes payments to or on behalf of resettlement cases for purposes of subsistence and housing on the German economy, as well as costs of rehabilitation training and final resettlement payments upon termination of a case. Based upon the experience factor and the rising cost of living in Germany, it is estimated that an average of [] will be expended on each case.

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Operational Entertainment (\$1,000.00)

This amount is estimated to cover the costs incurred in meetings with resettlement cases and in the infrequent entertainment of members of private welfare organizations, foreign consulates, etc.

Transportation of Things (\$4,000.00)

This item covers estimated costs to be incurred in the shipment of effects for resettlement cases during the time of their relocation for final resettlement.

Other Contractual Services (\$5,000.00)

The above amount is estimated to cover the cost of medical care facilities and supplies not provided free of charge from the military post, prolonged hospital or institutional care, etc.

Communications Costs (\$500.00)

This amount is estimated to be the cost of contacting resettlement cases when necessary, through local telephone or telegraph facilities.

Supplies and Materials (\$5,500.00)

This item includes the cost of clothing, training aids, books and other publications, and similar supplies for resettlement cases.

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