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Part C - Recommended Actions

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Federal Republic

1. Transformation of Allied-Federal Republic relationship

No special projects were conducted under this subject heading. It should be noted, however, that eight out of the 45 projects or project series reported on herein were coordinated with the Federal Government authorities. The regular Public Affairs program is also slated to stress this point.

2. Federal Republic integration into the Western European and free world communities

a. Assistance was rendered in the establishment of a Frankfurt research center on European problems. The center is now operating on its own, has the most extensive collection of materials in existence on European integration and allied subjects, puts out its own periodical publication, and provides regular services to newspapers, radio stations, students and others interested in European affairs.

b. An independent German news and feature agency dedicated to the dissemination of information to further the concept of a united Europe was assisted in its initial establishment and later in expanding its facilities, broadening its coverage, and increasing its output. This agency is now a self-sufficient, well-established and respected concern, having a clientele of some 300 newspapers and reprints of some 20,000 lines per month.

c. A West Berlin publishing house was assisted in producing and distributing to youth outlets in the Soviet Zone and the Federal Republic 50,000 pamphlet-like games, "Die Reise um die Bunte Welt" (A Ride Around the Colorful World), which gives young people a true picture of the history, economics, politics, arts and natural and industrial resources of the Free World and the Soviet orbit.

d. "World and Press," an English-language newspaper for students of English in the Federal Republic, which regularly publishes material in line with U. S. policy objectives, was assisted in expanding its circulation and putting out a supplement in twelve successive issues on the theme of a united Europe.

e. The Association of German Students of the Federal Republic was enabled to continue circulation of its newspaper, "Deutsche Studentenzeitung" (German Students' Gazette), on an increased scale in the Federal Republic and in the Soviet Zone of Germany. The basic aim of the "Studentenzeitung" is alignment of the Federal Republic with the West and eventual reunification of Germany on a free and democratic basis.

f. Assistance was rendered to "Europa Union" to enable this organization to bring out a 200,000-copy special issue of its weekly organ, "Das Mitteilungsblatt der Europa Union," devoted to European defense with the subtitle, "Europa und (Europe and the Little Man).

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g. The Frankfurt office of a Swiss feature-picture agency with some 50 subscribers in the Federal Republic was assisted in establishing itself firmly as an outlet for informational materials in support of U. S. policy objectives in Germany and Europe. This agency, which even under ordinary conditions published a great deal of anti-Communist and pro-Western material, has increased its output on such informational themes as European unity, German participation in the defense of the Free World, and a united Germany within a free and united Europe.

h. An adult education organization in Bavaria was assisted in holding four week-end classes to train 60 speakers on the subjects of the European agricultural and transport unions and Germany's contribution to Western defense. These speakers, under our guidance, held some 300 lectures before organizations and groups throughout the Federal Republic. A popular leaflet answering questions on ERP, OEEC, the Schuman Plan, the proposed agricultural union, the Council of Europe, and the proposed European Defense Force, was distributed in some 2,000,000 copies.

i. Assistance was rendered in mid-1952 to a German motion picture company (with close connections with a U. S. firm) to facilitate the production of six short-reel animated technicolor cartoons, each on the theme of European unity with full German participation. These cartoons will shortly be released commercially in normal and newsreel theaters in the Federal Republic, the Netherlands, and possibly other West European countries.

j. A West Berlin publishing house was assisted in bringing out 25,000 copies of a special 112-page illustrated handbook acquainting German women with the work of UNESCO and how this agency can and does contribute to their better welfare.

k. Assistance was rendered to "Europa-Union" to help defray expenses in Germany of a theater boat operated by European youth which travelled the Rhine from Basel to Rotterdam during July 1952 generating popular support for the goal of European Union by giving performances at major cities enroute.

l. The "Europa-Union" was assisted in holding Schuman Plan Day celebrations September 10, 1952, to commemorate the first meeting of the Schuman Plan Assembly and accordingly Europe's greatest practical stride up to that time on the road to full European integration. Aid rendered enabled the production of 15 copies of a documentary film showing the advantages of the new Coal and Steel Community, the holding of an essay contest on the subject of European unity and the Schuman Plan, and the organization of demonstrations in five key cities of the Federal Republic.

m. In cooperation with offices of the Federal Government (Chancellor's Office, Press Office) and German industrial circles, assistance has been given to the "Europa-Union" for exploiting results of the signature campaign which the organization conducted in Germany from January to April 1953 in support of the formation of a European Political Authority (HICOG Tel. 3895, Feb. 20, 1953). As of April 30, 1953, some 1,647,395 Germans had signed pledge forms. This assistance will enable "Europa-Union" to send a letter to each signatory whose address is readily available, designed to influence the large body of Germans who have expressed themselves in favor of European political integration into a political force of significance in the coming months.

n. The Federation of German Trade Unions (DGB) in West Berlin was assisted in a series of tag and leaflet actions May 1, 1953, as part of a Western-sponsored demonstration at the Platz der Republik, West Berlin, which helped counter the usual Communist May Day celebrations in the Soviet sector of the city. One leaflet carried excerpts from the May First messages of the International Confederation of Free Trade Unions, the West German DGB and the City of Berlin, and the tags were used to promote the slogan, "A United Germany! A United Europe! A World United in Freedom," and to encourage slow-downs in Soviet zone production.

o. In cooperation with offices of the Federal Government, assistance was rendered to a publisher in Aschaffenburg to enable him to publish and distribute 700,000 copies of a special issue of "Junior Magazin," monthly publication for youth, devoted particularly to the task of dramatizing the concept of European unity for young people. These copies were distributed through youth hostels, universities and technical schools, homes for miners' apprentices, and to elementary school teachers, high school and vocational school pupils, and refugee youth.

p. Assistance was rendered to a West Berlin publishing house to effect the publication and distribution of 100,000 copies of a 48-page pamphlet, "Kommt mit nach Europa," which has helped stimulate enthusiasm among young people for the creation of a United Europe.

q. A Cologne publishing house has been assisted in meeting the demand of the Ministry for All-German Affairs for 200,000 copies of a 48-page pamphlet exposing current Soviet policies to sabotage European integration and to drive a wedge between the Allies and prevent Franco-German rapprochement. The author is a Russian journalist defector with a world-wide reputation for his knowledge of the Soviet Union. Distribution will be made to officials and institutions in the Federal Republic and to special target groups in East Berlin and the Soviet Zone.

Reference is also made to 5a this section.

3. Development of democratic institutions in opposition to authoritarian and extremist elements.

a. A Frankfurt publisher was assisted in the publication of 20,000 copies of a book, "Ein Wort zur Sammlung der Ehemaligen Soldaten" (A few Remarks about the Rallying of Former (German) Soldiers), exploring the entire question of veterans' organizations' need to preserve a democratic character and work toward the attainment of democratic ideals.

b. A society of publishers, editors, radio men and other well-known public figures in the Federal Republic has been assisted in coordinating their efforts to gather, collate and disseminate information exposing neo-Fascist, Communist and fellow-travelling groups in Western Germany and attempts by these groups to sabotage the integration of Germany into a United Europe and West German participation in Western defense. As a result of aid by PUB:PS, a secretariat has been established as a clearance center for pertinent materials and as the issuing office of a periodic news letter.

c. Assistance was extended in February 1953 to effect the publication of 21,000 copies of a pamphlet, "Soldatische Existenz Heute" (The Soldier's Place in Society Today), which analyzes the entire problem of the soldier's role in society and points the way to the types of reforms

necessary if Germany is to have a truly democratic citizens' army. Distribution will be made to former German soldiers, certain youth groups, Government officials, journalists, educators and other leaders of public and political opinion on the German national defense issue.

d. A Hueraberg publisher was enabled to meet a request from the Federation of West German Trade Unions (DGB) for 6,500 copies of James Parke's book, "Anti-Semitism - An Enemy of the People," for free distribution in pocket size to union leaders, select DGB members, shop libraries and trade schools. Distribution was made in early March 1953, concurrent with what appeared to be the beginnings of a wave of Jewish persecution in the U. S. S. R., the satellite countries, and the Soviet Zone of Germany.

Under this heading, it should be noted, also, that nine of the 45 projects or project series reported on herein were directed primarily to youth and a large number of other projects gave special attention in one way or another to youth as an actual or potential target audience.

Reference is also made to 2 d, e, g, above; 6 b, below; and Soviet Zone and East Berlin, 1 a, below.

4. Gain Federal Republic peoples' support for U. S. policies; increase their confidence in the U. S. and Western ability to frustrate Soviet-communist aggression; and strengthen their will to resist.

Reference is made to all projects listed under 2, 3 and 5 of this section and under 2 of the section, German Unity.

5. Stimulate Federal Republic contribution to the development of increased economic and military strength in Western Europe.

a. A West German publisher was assisted in early 1952 in putting out 10,000 copies of a book, "Ein Man Geht Seinen Weg" (A Man Goes His Way), which injects into current Social Democratic Party politics the authoritative voice of Julius Leber, a noted, venerated and martyred leader of the party, on the vital issue of national defense.

Reference is also made to 2 d, e, g, h and a, and 3 a and b, above.

6. Exposure of Conditions in the Soviet Zone (also, in the Satellite States and the Soviet Union) and of Soviet Communism.

a. A Cologne book publisher was enabled to publish a total of 280,000 normal and pocket-size copies of eight anti-Communist books exposing Communist tactics and/or conditions in the Soviet Zone of Germany, in the Satellite States, and/or in the Soviet Union. One of these books, Berliner Kraml, has had a total "run" of over 110,000 copies and has been translated into several foreign languages.

b. Assistance was rendered in the development of a Youth Center in West Berlin as a contact point between the youth of West Germany and West Berlin and the youth of the Soviet Zone. This youth center conducts courses on the Soviet Zone for West German leaders, and issues regular publications on Soviet Zone developments. Members of the center's staff deliver talks before youth organizations in the Federal Republic on conditions in the Soviet Zone. (Support of this center is now being shared by the Berlin Senate and the Federal Ministry for All-German Affairs).

c. Assistance was made available to enable procurement over a period of 17 months of 41 newsreels, 149 documentary films, and seven feature-length films from the Soviet Zone of Germany and certain Satellite States. The majority of films has been shown in West Berlin and West Germany to select audiences for the purpose of acquainting persons with Communist propaganda themes and techniques and giving them an insight on the nature of conditions in the Soviet Zone and other Soviet-controlled areas.

d. The Social Democratic Party's publishing house was assisted in bringing out a series of ten pamphlets over the past year and a half telling the working population of the Federal Republic about the totalitarian character of the Soviet Zone regime and showing the similarity between former Nazi and present Communist organizations and methods. This series has been effective in indicating how wide an ideological gap now exists between East and West Germany and implying how unrealistic it is to hope for German reunification on terms acceptable to the West as long as the present puppet regime is in control of the Soviet Zone.

e. Assistance was rendered to a publishing house in Tuebingen to conduct a sales and publicity campaign to promote the book, "Das Land der Stummen Millionen" (The Land of Millions of Silent Voices), a first-hand account of conditions in the U. S. S. R. by a former German armored forces officer who worked in a number of Soviet camps and industrial plants from early 1944 to 1950. Special distribution was made to the West German trade union membership.

f. A film dealing with Soviet Zone conditions and the refugee problem, produced with the aid of the Policy Staff, has broken the German movie industry's conspiracy of silence against anti-Communist and similar pictures. This film has also set an example for realism in subject and treatment, and last but not least, economical production methods.

g. The West German Railway Workers' Union was assisted in bringing out a total of 300,000 copies of a pamphlet, "Ein Blick hinter den Eisener Vorhang" (A Glimpse Behind the Iron Curtain), written by the union's president, Hans Jahn, and describing the position of labor in the Soviet Zone of Germany. Distribution was made to members of the West German Federation of Trade Unions in France and England as well as in the Federal Republic.

h. A publisher in Hamburg was assisted in putting out a 3,000-copy edition of a book, "Arbeiterklasse und Arbeitspolitik in der Sowjet Union" (Working Classes and Labor Policies in the Soviet Union), written by a former inmate of Soviet slave labor camps.

i. Assistance was made available to the West German Federation of Trade Unions to effect the publication and distribution (to its membership, to trade schools and through the Laender ministries) of 100,000 copies of a 36-page pamphlet, "Revision," a personal experience narrative describing corruption and mismanagement among trade union officials in the state-controlled economy of the Soviet Zone, written by a recent defector who has held responsible positions as chief auditor of the Soviet Zone trade union organization and consultant to the Soviet Zone Economic Administration.

j. As a result of success achieved under a above, further assistance has been rendered to effect the publication, over a period of several months, of seven additional exposes of Communism and Communist methods. These will include a first-hand account of the corruption of the arts for propaganda purposes in the Soviet Zone of Germany; an evaluation of the Cold War by Jules Monnerot, professor of sociology at the Sorbonne; an expose of the Communist-front organization, "Kulturbund"; stories of life in Soviet slave labor camps, one by a young Polish officer and one by a Swedish workman; a description of the corruption of the educational system in East Germany by an official formerly in charge of school reform in the Soviet Zone; and a collection of writings by disillusioned formerly high-ranking Communists.

k. The West German Federation of Trade Unions was assisted in effecting the publication of a total of 250,000 copies of four anti-Communist pamphlets clarifying, for the benefit of German workers, the true nature of present conditions and recent developments in the Soviet Zone of Germany, the Soviet-Satellite area, and the U. S. S. R.

l. In cooperation with the Federal Ministry for All-German Affairs, aid was rendered to a publisher in Aschaffenburg to enable him to make 60,000 additional copies of the August 1952 issue of "Junior Magazin," monthly publication for youth, available to West German Laender cultural ministries for distribution to schools, universities, youth hostels and similar outlets in the Federal Republic. This particular issue contains a number of articles exposing the methods of Communism in the Soviet Zone of Germany.

m. A West Berlin publisher has been assisted in putting out 10,000 copies of an 80-page directory of Communist leaders and front organizations in Germany. This directory will be distributed as a ready reference manual to Government officials, newspaper editors, leaders of labor and industry, and others in the Federal Republic to whom it would be helpful to have on hand the facts on Communist, pro-Communist, and fellow-travelling organizations and personalities in the Federal Republic, Berlin and the Soviet Zone.

Reference is also made to 2 r above; Soviet Zone and East Berlin, 1 a, below; and German Unity, 2 a, below.

Berlin

1. Stimulation of West German interest in the position of Berlin.

a. The Frankfurt publisher of the book, "Berliner Bastion," the story of the 1948-49 Berlin airlift, was supported in bringing out a special 10,000-copy edition of this book, which has been distributed to specially-selected youth organizations in the Federal Republic and Western Berlin.

2. Exploitation of West Berlin as a contact point between East and West.

a. Assistance was rendered to provide air transportation to Berlin for 200 prominent West German Catholic leaders in order that they might be able to participate in the traditional annual German Katholikentag, a major religious demonstration. This assistance brought this sizeable group of influential West Germans into contact with their opposite numbers from East Germany, affording an opportunity, not only for buttressing the morale of Church leaders in the East, but also for giving West German participants a better understanding of life under a totalitarian system.

Reference is also made to Federal Republic, 6 b, above.

Soviet Zone and East Berlin

1. Encourage disaffection and defection.

a. The Berlin Chapter of the German Red Cross was given the financial means to undertake the task of registering and gathering information on former German soldiers — once residents of the Soviet Zone of Germany — who died during World War II or are still being detained by the Soviet Union. The work of the Search Service, which entails some 350,000 actions of one kind or another each year, has been valuable in raising the morale of Soviet Zone Germans and in winning their appreciation for Western humanitarian efforts. That the work has also embarrassed Soviet Zone authorities is attested by attempts to prevent next-of-kin from communicating with the Search Service. Also, data compiled by the Search Service has formed the basis for charges by the Federal Republic, the United States and other countries that the Soviet Union still holds captive many thousands of former German prisoners of war and is exploiting their labor in camps deep within the U. S. S. R.

b. A West Berlin newspaper publisher has been assisted in putting out 50,000 fake copies of the official Soviet Zone labor organ, Trubune. These fake numbers will be distributed among workers in the Soviet Zone for the purpose of causing slowdowns in Soviet Zone production and providing Soviet Zone resistance elements with ideological arguments in their efforts to convert fellow-workers to an anti-Communist point of view.

Reference is also made to Berlin, 2 a, above, and 3 a and b, this section, below.

2. Psychological, political and economic harassment, and controlled preparation for more active resistance.

Reference is also made to Federal Republic, 2 n, above.

3. Informing Soviet Zone population of world events.

a. Subsidies were given to the publisher of a West German technical journal, banned from the Soviet Zone, to facilitate the continued distribution of this magazine to Soviet Zone subscribers. This magazine keeps Soviet Zone scientists informed about the progress and philosophy of Western science and fills a void in this field which would otherwise be filled by Communist propaganda organs.

b. Assistance was given to a Frankfurt publisher to facilitate free-of-charge distribution each month, to select residents of the Soviet Zone of Germany, of 2,500 copies of a liberal, pro-Western, political monthly. The magazine helps maintain continuing contact with the population of the Soviet Zone as a means of keeping alive the spark of democratic tradition, the will to resist totalitarianism, and the hope of eventual liberation, which exist among peoples of East Germany. During the period of assistance, special issues were brought out on such subjects as "The West Calls the East," "East-West Relations," "Parties, Interest Groups, and Government," and "The Constitutional, Political and Administrative Make-up of the Future United Europe."

c. Operational costs for the electrical news sign at Potsdamer Platz, West Berlin, were covered by Policy Staff during the period July 1 to September 30, 1952.

Reference is also made to Federal Republic, 2 c and e and 6 b.

4. Maintain Soviet Zone/East Berlin hope for unified democratic Germany in European Community.

Reference is made to Federal Republic, 6 b; Soviet Zone and East Berlin, 3 b.

5. Weaken Soviet-Communist confidence in their ability to maintain or strengthen their position in Soviet Zone/East Berlin, or to use this area as a firm base for operations against the federal republic or West Berlin.

Reference is made to Federal Republic 6 a, d, g, i, and m; Berlin, 1 a and 2 a; and Soviet Zone and East Berlin, 1 a and b.

German Unity

1. Demonstrate willingness to negotiate.

Reference is made to Federal Republic, 6 b.

2. Promotion of U. S. Policies on German Unity

a. Assistance has been rendered to a Federal Republic association of refugee jurists and other public officials from the Soviet Zone of Germany in order to facilitate the conduct of important background work on the question of German unity. This organization has been active in informing the German people, press and Government officials on administrative and legal aspects of developments in the Soviet Zone; in drafting basic laws for such possible future contingencies as a German national assembly, an all-German election law, or an all-German constitution; and in holding conferences at which leading figures in German life have discussed the problem of German unity and how best to meet repeated Soviet propaganda demands for union. The case of the Federal Republic on this issue today is built largely on groundwork done by this organization.

Reference is also made to Federal Republic 2 e and g and 6 b.

3. Other Coverage of Oder-Weisse and Saar issues

None

4. Expose and counter Soviet moves toward permanent partition.

Reference is made to Federal Republic, 6 a, b, c, d, f, g, h, i, j, k, and l.

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