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A. STATED OBJECTIVES

1) The overall objective of Project LIFEAT, now in its fourteenth year of existence, is to provide for a completely unilateral telephone tap mechanism, capable of leading the direct, continuing support necessary to cover individual targets and operational programs levied on Mexico City Station by the current Related Mission Directive (RMD) as well as specific target-of-opportunity requests from Headquarters and other stations. While Project LIFEAT primarily fulfills existing requirements to provide viable RMDs and operational support data on selected targets, some positive intelligence is produced as a by-product of this operation.

2) The auxiliary objectives of Project LIFEAT are as follows:

- a. To provide an agent net of experienced linemen and centralmen within the Mexico telephone company capable of unilaterally placing taps on any target telephone in Mexico City or adjacent to the Station or Headquarters.
- b. To provide a series of compartmented, clandestine basehouses with trained basehouse keepers to serve as terminal recording/listening posts for the taps placed by the LIFEAT linemen and centralmen.
- c. To provide for the support and maintenance of long-time career agent David M. KALLISU, the "outside" LIFEAT case officer.
- d. To provide a stable of trained translators/transcribers capable of translating and transcribing the raw "taps" received from the LIFEAT taps as well as material for other selected Station programs.

3) As in the past, these objectives can and will be achieved by the continued operational exploitation of the existing LIFEAT linemen, centralmen, transcribers/translators, basehouses and basehouse keepers. These above cited objectives are in consonance with and represent the partial fulfillment of the following sections of the current Related Mission Directive, as approved for Mexico City Station:

Priority A
Section 1, Subsection a.
Section 2, Subsection b.

Priority B
Section 1, Subsection a.
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B. CHANGES

1) Administrative as per Headquarters suggestions contained in HMMW-12901, dated 22 September 1964, the early maintenance, and support of career agent

David M. WILSTED, the outside LIFEAT case officer, (formerly maintained under Project LINOC, which is now being terminated), is herewith being integrated into the LIFEAT Project. This action, hopefully, will decrease the administrative burden involved in the management of two projects and will give a more realistic picture of the expenses involved in LIFEAT, since 90% of WILSTED's activities are directly related to this project.

2) Operational Mechanism - Project LIFEAT has undergone one major operational change during the past year. In late 1963, Project LIFEAT lost its previous access to the telephone company central exchanges (centrals) due to the company's increased control of personnel movements within and between these centrals. As a direct result of this loss of access, LIFEAT was forced to revert to its original method of tapping in street distribution boxes, a method which is not only less secure but which also limits the extent of possible coverage. Therefore in early 1964, the Station took steps to spot and assess a new agent capable of providing access to the centrals under the telephone company's new system of personnel control. After discarding four potential candidates, the fifth candidate was recruited in mid-1964 after careful assessment and development by LIFEAT-1. By late 1964, the new access agent in the centrals, LIFEAT-32, had become most proficient in his operational "tap" assignments. Thus LIFEAT is now again able to establish its taps in the telephone centrals, which has greatly enhanced the scope and efficiency of this operation. [A detailed report covering the operational and technical procedures used at present by LIFEAT in establishing taps was forwarded to Headquarters as HNSA-2439], dated 29 September 1964 and is available should further technical details be desired.

3) Personnel -

a. Wayne C. DRABAND (P)/LIFEAT-24 (201-119525)

In November 1964, Wayne C. DRABAND, WILSTED's assistant, departed Mexico with his wife, a KUBARK staffer who had been transferred FOS from this Station. (Prior to this departure, Station requested that LIFEAT-24's operational approval be amended to include the duties performed by DRABAND. This amendment to LIFEAT-24's approval was received in HNSA-12820, dated 15 August 1964.) DRABAND was replaced on 1 November 1964 by LIFEAT-24, who after a suitable overlap period, assumed the daily contact with various LIFEAT basehouse keepers and transmitters. LIFEAT-24 has proven to be most adept at agent handling and has cheerfully accepted the increased responsibility and work load.

b. LIFEAT-32 (201-748946)

The Operational Approval for the use of LIFEAT-32 (see Section B, CHANGES, paragraph 4) was granted via IIR-28613, dated 17 June 1964.

c. LIFEAT-33 (201-760676)

A two-month extension on Subject's use as an assistant basehouse keeper was granted by HNSA-13684, dated 24 April 1965. Requisite ERG Part II information is now being compiled.

- d. LIFEUD-35 (formerly LICRAB-1) (201-740227)
An OA, effective 30 December 1964, was received via HMMN 11270, dated 8 January 1965, for subject's use as a LIFEAT basehouse keeper. Subject and his wife, LIFEUD-36, are employed as basehouse keepers at LIFEAT ANNEX V.
- e. LIFEUD-35 (formerly LICRAB-2) (201-764713)
A FOA effective 10 December 1964 was received on Subject via HMMN-13220, dated 16 December 1964. Requisite P50 Part II information is being compiled and will be forwarded.
- f. LIFEUD-37
A FOA for Subject's use as translator/communicator was received via DIR-11995 on 21 May 1965.
- g. LIFEUD-4 (201-117743)
HNSA-24054, dated 6 August 1964 forwarded the Agent Service Record of Subject, who died of natural causes on 11 July 1964.
- h. LIFEUD-14/LIFEUD-17 (201-117972)/(201-185370)
HNSA-24266, dated 18 September 1964, forwarded the Agent Service Records for LIFEUD-14 and LIFEUD-17, basehouse keepers who were terminated due to marital difficulties.
- i. LIFEUD-16 (201-222785)
The Agent Service Record for LIFEUD-16, who was terminated due to his loss of access, was forwarded with HMMN-26158, dated 20 May 1965.

A diagram is attached as Annex I to this renewal request, showing all active agents as relating to basehouses and operational assignments.

C. INTELLIGENCE PRODUCTION

1) Positive Intelligence

While LIFEAT is basically targeted to provide KOPRESK and 'operational support' information, some positive intelligence is derived as a by-product. During the ten-month period from 1 July 1964 through 30 April 1965, project LIFEAT contributed wholly or in part to 19 positive intelligence reports, which were forwarded to Headquarters as follows:

HMM 9126	HMM 9243	HMM 9455
9127	9290	9472
9141	9325	9535
9157	9341	9543
9221	9399	9622
9226	9398	
9229	9422	

This relative decrease in numerical production is in part a reflection of the loss of access to the central exchange during the initial portion of the project year (as detailed in Section B, paragraph 2), but a more

significant indication of the increased emphasis on the basic "operational support" nature of this project.

In addition to the RMEs noted above, project LIFEAT had provided 29 pages of cabled reports (dissemination of which was left to Headquarters) during the crisis in the Dominican Republic in early May 1965. (MEXI-3369, MEXI-3370, MEXI-3372, MEXI-3373, MEXI-3374, and MEXI-3376, all of 11 May 1965.) Station Mexico City has been orally informed that this information was of great interest and in part was used to answer questions raised by OPLOCIC.

2) KUDPSK

During the ten-month period under review, the LIFEAT project fulfilled a standing requirement to provide KUDPSK data on the following targets:

- a. Known and suspect Soviet intelligence officers and agents. 9 lines
- b. WOLFS/EMLET-ISHARVEST-DIZING-BIBOX installations and officers. 8 lines
- c. American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM) (COMMINT requests). 2 lines
- d. FROGNET installation and officers. 5 lines and LIFEAT/LIONEN "net" installation.
- e. PCM leaders. 7 lines
- f. Special Headquarters requests, KRYAPFY/KUDPSK requests, and targets of opportunity. 8 lines

3. GENERALITY

1) Since 1 July 1964 (through 30 April 1965), Project LIFEAT has covered a total of 40 different target lines which produced 2,286 reels of raw "take". When processed by the LIFEAT and related transcribers/translators, these reels produced approximately 1,171 pages of "take" for the interested case officers. This total was assessed despite the reduction in coverage during the initial portion of the project year as noted in CHANGES above, and does include the number of pages of transcriptions of one LIFEAT line, which is transcribed daily by Project LIFEAT.

2) Highlights of this LIFEAT coverage by area of operational interest follow:

SOVIET

- a. LIVESTOCK-3, former Station asset, possibly in contact with Soviet Embassy, (201-15094)
- b. AMERIKELER-1, possible Soviet illegal, (201-13311)
- c. Home telephone of KGB Resident (201-20179)
- d. Home telephone of known KGB officer (201-05712)
- e. Home telephone of known GRU officer (201-12470)
- f. Home telephone of suspect KGB officer (201-211-75807)
- g. Target of special interest to: BRUK, L/KUDPSK, and OJENVY; former employee of OPLOCIC in contact with known GRU officer (201-753976)
- h. Target of special interest, ZS KRYAPFY/KUDPSK
- i. Home/office telephone of known KGB officer (201-132139)

In this area, the LIFEAT coverage has provided information concerning the contacts and activities of the target individuals. The interested Station Case Officer has advised that LIFEAT coverage should be continued to provide

exclusive PERSEM insight into the behavior and activities of the targets monitored. Of particular interest is the coverage of the subject of 201-753476, a former employee of GPTAGIT who is now in contact with a known KGB officer. LIFEAT is at present the only major Station asset covering this target intensively and the majority of the information which has been developed on this individual has originated with LIFEAT. Prior knowledge from LIFEAT of this individual's recent travel to PRRBRE enabled ODEWY to locate and interrogate him. In addition, the coverage of one of the above noted Soviet intelligence officers was maintained in support of a possible re-entry of the target for purposes of installing technical surveillance equipment.

PERSEM 5 lines in addition to the LIFEAT/LIOMEN technical installation

- a. Home telephone of ASHBT-1, PERSEM intelligence officer, in support of the AMROD operation (201-334294).
- b. Home telephone of PERSEM WISPAWN agent (201-336474).
- c. Home telephone of close friend of ASHBTU family, particularly in support of the ASHBT-2 operation (201-357962) (at the request of JMWAVE.)
- d. Home telephone of close friend of AMOACH-1 (201-117124).
- e. Office telephone of PERSEM Embassy.
- f. LIFEAT/LIOMEN technical operation.

Throughout this period, the LIFEAT/LIOMEN phase of this operation, linked with the normal coverage of the telephones in the same office, continued to provide operational information covering the activities in the target office of the PERSEM Embassy. Specifically, the identification and arrival of visitors to this office and persons traveling to PERSEM, as provided by LIFEAT was of significant interest. In addition, these two installations provided an excellent check on the veracity and completeness of the reporting of Station asset LIFEAT. This area's recent departure from Mexico, the LIFEAT coverage of the target office formerly maintained by LIFEAT has assumed additional importance. The coverage of the known PERSEM WISPAWN agent provided information of significant value during the crisis in the Dominican Republic in early May 1965. Daily summaries of this data were cabled to Headquarters almost daily.

In an evaluation of the LIFEAT project in this area, the senior Headquarters' case officer for the AMROD operation, Messrs. DRICHART (P) wrote: "The AMROD operation, a successful deception operation in force over the two years against PERSEM was originally predicated upon the documentary materials obtained through LIFEAT in 1957. Since the inception of the AMROD operation in April 1963, LIFEAT has continued to be the main source of information used in this deception, which has had important political effects in the target country. One most recent specific target of the LIFEAT operation useful in the AMROD operation has been the coverage of ASHBT-1. This coverage, pertaining as it does to the opposition case officer in the AMROD operation, has enabled WISPAWN case officers to keep up to date on movements, problems and state of mind, and also made it possible to effect a more evaluation of his character than would otherwise have been possible. In summary, the LIFEAT operation has been and continues to be the backbone of the information on which the AMROD operation is based and through which the deception mechanism through which its results can be followed and the situation properly maintained and acted upon."

PK 6 Lines - High level PCN leaders, subjects of:

- a. 201-042557
- b. 201-067316
- c. 201-326389
- d. 201-745387
- e. 201-745327
- f. MEMA-25610, 17 March 1965

In addition to providing the majority of the positive intelligence reports noted in Section C above, the continued LIFEAT coverage in this area is basically designed to support the Station's CP penetration program and to monitor the activities of various high level CP functionaries. Of special interest was the coverage of subject of 201-067316, who is actively engaged in highly IMPORTANT activities. LIFEAT's other coverage in this area provided the initial information on various planned trips by high ranking PCN members, the site and date of a PCN leadership training school, and served as an excellent check on the Station's various penetration efforts. In addition, the Station's continuing MEXSPAN operation targeted against the PCN backbone is based largely on LIFEAT information; LIFEAT information also provides an excellent check on the effectiveness as well as the PCN reaction to this operation. Finally, the coverage of Subject of MEMA-25610, dated 17 March 1965, was instituted in direct support of the recruitment operation targeted against Subject, planned for late May 1965.

AMERICAN COMMUNIST GROUP IN MEXICO (ACGM) 2 Lines

The home telephones of two ACGM leaders at the request of ODEWY, subjects of:

- a. 201-090616
- b. 201-009735

In reference to this LIFEAT coverage of the ACGM lines, the local ODEWY office has written: "From an evaluation of all information received from such coverage, this office feels that it is very valuable and many useful leads are obtained, particularly with regard to travel in and out of Mexico of American Communists who are in contact with individuals on whom coverage is maintained. It provides us with information on their activities not presently available through any other source."

NYXIS/COMRADES 3 Lines

- a. DMLST official installation, 5 telephones
- b. COMRADES official installation (news office)
- c. Home telephone of DMLST official (201-051211)
- d. Home telephone of the REDUX Intelligence Center, Resident (201-279128) (MEMOR)

Specific highlights in this area of activities are:

Emergency coverage was provided on the lines of KUBARK and was a KUBARK recruitment target. Although the projected recruitment attempt never materialized, the rapid initiation of this coverage also proved the value of LIBEAL in supporting wildcat station actions on short notice. In the DMSP area, LIBEAL proved to be a continuing source of information on the activities of the members of the official DMSP installation in Mexico. In addition, this coverage was a valuable check on LIBEAL, a station agent in place in the DMSP installation.

From 1 July 1964 through 24 December 1964, project LIBEAL continued to be a reliable source of information on the activities of the officers of the KUBARK installation and provided identification of many of their Mexican contacts. In January 1965, the LIBEAL Project assumed the coverage of this line; however, the daily "take" from this line is still fully transcribed by Project LIBEAL for passage to LIBAMA.

HEADQUARTERS REQUEST/TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY 8 lines

The most important of which are:

- a. UNION-177 (Special ZENAFV/KUDESK request)
- b. Subject of HEMA-25663, 29 April 1965 (ZENAFV/KUDESK)
- c. LIBEAL-9
- d. 5 target of opportunity lines

One of the "target of opportunity" lines was initiated in an effort to verify or refute a report that a certain individual below LIBEAL was possibly engaged in clandestine or police type activities. This coverage revealed no clandestine activity and thus afforded an additional degree of protection to the sensitive WILLY office. The LIBEAL coverage of LIBEAL-9, a terminated and closed target member of the Station's principal surveillance team, was initiated after a blackmail attempt on the part of LIBEAL-9. This coverage was continued until such time as it became clear that an additional blackmail effort would be forthcoming from LIBEAL-9.

E. PROBLEMS

1) On various occasions throughout the past project year, telephone company crews, engaged in re-wiring meter distribution boxes in conjunction with the company's modernization program, have "invaded" areas served by LIBEAL basehouses. In several instances, the telephone crews discovered cable terminals which, according to their records, should have not been in use, but which were in fact "hot" taps used to route LIBEAL taps. In all instances, WILSTET and the LIBEAL liaison were able to remove all traces of these taps before the telephone company crews could verify and record their origins and/or location. Consequently, "taps" were avoided in all cases but it was necessary to suspend surveillance activity in the affected basehouses until such time as the crews vacated the area. Although this problem will continue to plague LIBEAL for some time to come, WILSTET and the LIBEAL liaison are making a special effort to obtain advance warning of telephone company crews working in the areas served by LIBEAL basehouses.

During the past year, LIPREX-14, LIPREX-15 and LIPREX-16 were afforded LIPREX-17 accommodations with satisfactory results and David M. WILSON was given a reference course in operational and personal security by a Headquarters Training Officer.

MEXICO

The only liaison in which Project LIPREX is involved is that with the local query office, in relation to the coverage on the ACO's program. The ODENVY office translates the raw "take" and provides Station Mexico City with a copy of the finished transcript.

INTERAGENCY COORDINATION

No interagency coordination is required in Project LIPREX.

PLANS

The Station plans to continue this project without basic administrative or operational changes (except those noted in Section B.) for the coming project year. The Station will continue to review regularly the operational work of each agent to determine if any of the LIPREX personnel can be transferred without adversely affecting either the security or the efficiency of the operation. (See Annex II for the present operational duties of all active LIPREX personnel).

COSTS

1) For the past project year (Project LIPREX was approved for the period 1 July 1964 through 30 June 1965) for the amount of \$34,741. Of this amount, approximately \$29,000 will be expended by 1 July 1965. In addition, the related LIPREX project was renewed for the same period for an amount of \$15,570. Of this amount, approximately \$17,250 will be expended by 1 July 1965. Thus, the total amount expended during the last project year for the overall LIPREX activity is approximately \$51,270. During the past project year, the Station Case Officers devoted approximately 20 hours per month to Project LIPREX, while David M. WILSON, the Liaison Officer, devoted approximately 60 hours per month to LIPREX duties and all cooperation with LIPREX. The Station administrative/support section considers that it devotes approximately 2 hours per month to the support of Project LIPREX.

2) For the ensuing project year, approval is requested for the renewal of Project LIPREX for the period 1 July 1965 through 30 June 1966, for the amount of \$2807,000. Section Mexico City has previously programmed Project LIPREX for \$2816,000 in the FY 1966 Budget Program. As per the Headquarters request contained in LIPREX-17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100, the expenses of the outside LIPREX case officer, WILSON, formerly covered as Project LIPREX, are herewith incorporated into the LIPREX project. The activities of the expenses related to the maintenance of LIPREX, plus the continuing costs of purchase rentals and utilization along with the cost for all material transactions to handle the insurance coverage have limited the total cost involved in Project LIPREX as compared with previous years.

a. Salaries

FY 1966

Career and contract agents:

David M. WILFRED (including possible pay raise)
(GS 13, career agent)

13,615

Carol K. ZIMMERMAN (translator)
Olga A. PARFINK (translator)
LEFBO-30 (translator)

6,800
5,200
3,600
15,600

Field Agents:

LIFBUD-1 (Principal Mexican agent for operations) 6,500
LIFBUD-2 (line man) 2,800
LIFBUD-3 (line man) 2,000
LIFBUD-4 (basehouse keeper) 3,650
LIFBUD-5 (See Olga A. PARFINK, contract agent above)
LIFBUD-7 (basehouse keeper) 3,000
LIFBUD-8 (basehouse keeper) 2,800
LIFBUD-9 (assistant basehouse keeper and transcriber) 2,600
LIFBUD-15 (basehouse keeper) 845
LIFBUD-24 (basehouse keeper) 1,800
LIFBUD-26 (basehouse keeper) 1,400
LIFBUD-34 (contractor) 2,000
LIFBUD-35 (basehouse keeper) 1,250
LIFBUD-37 (translator) 3,000
LIFBUD-39 (translator) 3,000
Agent to be recruited as additional translator
Christmas bonus (by local requirements-one month's
salary) and gifts where necessary

2,000
3,500
42,145

b. Basehouse expenses:

WILFRED housing allowance 3,500
Rent Annex II (MEXI-98) 1,500
Rent Annex IV (MEXI-75) 2,400
Rent Annex V (MEXI-96) 1,600
Rent Annex VI (MEXI-88) 3,000
Rent Annex VII (MEXI-8) 2,000
Rent Annex VIII (MEXI-1) 3,000
Rent Annex IX (MEXI-97) 3,000
LIFBUD/LIVERY Relay base (MEXI-39) 1,000
Basehouse utilities and maintenance 3,000
Allowance for rental/utility increase 1,000

c. Local purchase replacement parts, wire, supplies,
equipment repair

1,000
41,000

d. Transportation - includes payment to agents for use of POV on daily operational business.

NV 2539 (used by WILSON; expenses for 6 months)	\$ 300
Replacement vehicle for NV 2539	3,500
Use of LIFEAD-2 nd POV	500
Use of LIFEAD-5 th POV	400
Use of LIFEAD-7 th POV	400
Use of LIFEAD-8 th	500
Use of LIFEAD-9 th POV	500
Mileage (official) paid to ZINSWELSER	100
	<u>6,400</u>

e. Miscellaneous administrative expenses:

WILSON home leave (eligible 1 February 1965)	2,500
WILSON educational allowances	450
WILSON operational travel	200
	<u>2,550</u>

f. MISCELLANEOUS operational expenses:

Includes contingency fund, loss of rental deposits, bribes, storage and moving expenses.	1,000
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TOTAL \$107,950 U.S.

J. EMERGENCY CONDITIONS

1) In the event of civil disorders or the evolution of complete or enforced neutrality on the part of the host government it is believed that regular operational contact could be maintained with the active agents, with only minor changes in the existing communication systems.

2) In the most unlikely event of the establishment of a regime hostile to OBYDKE, limited but continued contact could probably be maintained with the regular operational assets. It is believed, i.e. LINEAR would, under the conditions described above, be able to continue to operate against current or new targets.

TRANSLATION STAFF

Carol K. WILSON

Olga K. MARFINIK

LIFEAD-9

LIFEAD-30

LIFEAD-19

LIFEAD-10

Douglas J. FEINGLASS

TAP INSTALLATION

Lineman LIFEAD-2

Lineman LIFEAD-3

Contractor

LIFEAD-22

C. O.

LIFEAD (typical for early 1965)

David M. WILSON

LIFEAD-24

ANNEX II

LIFEAD-1

LIFEAD-31

ANNEX IV

LIFEAD-25

LIFEAD-29

ANNEX V

LIFEAD-35

LIFEAD-36

ANNEX VI

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ANNEX VII

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ANNEX VIII

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LIFEAD-9

LIFEAD-10

ANNEX IX

LIFEAD-5

LIFEAD-11

LIFEAD-15

SUMMARY OF OPERATIONAL DUTIES OF LIFEAT PERSONNEL

- 1) David M. WILSON - As the outside LIFEAT case officer, career agent WILSON's primary duties are as follows: Overall supervision of tap installation, tap routing, and tap security; resolution of the many and complex technical and maintenance problems inherent in a technical project of this magnitude; bearing the first echelon accountability for the expenditures of approximately \$70,000 U. S. per year as well as the accountability for approximately \$25,000 of LIFEAT/LIFEAF property; and bearing, together with the Station case officer, the overall responsibility for the day-to-day agent handling for 24 LIFEAT agents.
- 2) LIFEAT-24 - In addition to his duties as a basehouse keeper, LIFEAT-24 bears the responsibility for daily contact with six basehouse keepers and two translators. This involves early morning agent meetings for tape and translation pickups, the reporting of major maintenance and line work is necessary, and in general relieving WILSON and the Station case officer of such routine LIFEAT log work.
- 3) LIFEAT-1 - In addition to his duties as a basehouse keeper, LIFEAT-1 also serves as the Mexican principal agent for this Project. Subject's major functions are assisting WILSON in tap installation planning, coordination of tap installations with the LIFEAF centralman and lifemen, and serving as a sponsor and contact channel into the telephone company.
- 4) LIFEAT-2 and LIFEAT-3 (Lincon) and LIFEAT-32 (centralman) - A detailed report covering subjects' precise duties and activities involved in tap installations was forwarded to Headquarters as HMM-24399, dated 29 September 1964 and is available should further explanation be desired.
- 5) LIFEATs 1, 31, 25, 29, 35, 36, 24, 16, 8, 12, 7, 10, 5, 11, and 15 - Basehouse keepers - The most important duties of the above mentioned basehouse keepers, who run this project's 7 compartmented basehouses, are those relating to security. This includes the maintenance of the "cover" of the basehouse (in most cases a family residence) during daily inspections of the immediate area for the presence of telephone company work crews, and when necessary delaying those crews in inspecting the tap routing lines on the basehouse until appropriate LIFEAT assets can "cut back" or remove the tap. The minor servicing of the equipment, the changing of reels, and the passing of these reels to LIFEAT-24, WILSON, or the case officer, are important but secondary tasks.
- 6) Carol K. ZIMMERSTEIN, Olga K. FARRINO, LIFEAT-9, LIFEAT-30 and LIFEAT-19 - Translators/Transcribers - The Spanish scripted on the LIFEAT reels is translated and transcribed into English by these agents. (With the exception of LIFEAT-9 who transcribes into Spanish only). In addition, this group possesses the capability to translate French, Dutch, and German and is frequently called upon to assist other Station activities, such as providing transcriptions of recorded agent debriefings and the transcription of articles for newspaper placements.

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b. LIFEUD-32 (201-748946)

The Operational Approval for the use of LIFEUD-32 (see Section B. CHANGES, paragraph 2) was granted via DER-2861), dated 17 June 1964.

c. LIFEUD-33 (201-760676)

A two-month extension on Subject's use as an assistant basehouse keeper was granted by HMA-13684, dated 11 April 1965. Requisite PRQ Part II information is now being compiled.

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An OA, effective 30 December 1964, was received via HMA-13270, dated 3 January 1965, for Subject's use as a LIFEAT basehouse keeper. Subject and his wife, LIFEUD-36, are employed as basehouse keepers at LIFEAT ANNEX V.
- e. LIFEUD-35 (formerly LICRAB-2) (201-764713)
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- i. LIFEUD-16 (201-222786)
The Agent Service Record for LIFEUD-16, who was terminated due to his loss of access, was forwarded with HMA-26158, dated 20 May 1965.

A diagram is attached as Annex I to this renewal request, showing all active agents as relating to basehouses and operational assignments.

C. INTELLIGENCE PRODUCTION

1) Positive Intelligence

While LIFEAT is basically targeted to provide KUDREK and "operational support" information, some positive intelligence is derived as a by-product. During the ten-month period from 1 July 1964 through 30 April 1965, project LIFEAT contributed wholly or in part to 19 positive intelligence reports, which were forwarded to Headquarters as follows:

HMA-9126	HMA 7243	HMA-9455
9127	7290	9472
9141	7315	9535
9157	7341	9543
9221	7390	9622
9226	7538	
9229	7522	

This relative decrease in numerical production is in part a reflection of the loss of access to the central exchanges during the initial portion of the project year (as detailed in Section B, paragraph 2), but a more

significant indication of the increased emphasis on the basic "operational support" nature of this project.

In addition to the HMs noted above, project LIFEAT had provided 29 pages of cabled reports (dissemination of which was left to Headquarters) during the crisis in the Dominican Republic in early May 1965. (MEXI-3369, MEXI-3370, MEXI-3372, MEXI-3373, MEXI-3374, and MEXI-3376, all of 11 May 1965.) Station Mexico City has been orally informed that this information was of great interest and in part was used to answer questions raised by OPLOCIC.

2) KUDSK

During the ten-month period under review, the LIFEAT project fulfilled a standing requirement to provide KUDSK data on the following targets:

- a. Known and suspect Soviet Intelligence officers and agents. 9 lines
- b. NYXIS/IMLET-LCHARVEST-DIZTAG-BEDOX installations and officers. 8 lines
- c. American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM) (ODENVY requests). 2 lines
- d. PERUMEN installation and officers. 5 lines and LIFEAT/LIGMEN "hot" installation.
- e. PCN leaders. 7 lines
- f. Special Headquarters requests, ZRTAPPY/KUDSK requests, and targets of opportunity. 8 lines

D. EFFECTIVENESS

1) Since 1 July 1964 (through 30 April 1965), Project LIFEAT has covered a total of 40 different target lines which produced 2,286 reels of raw "take". When processed by the LIFEAT and related transcribers/translators, these reels produced approximately 6,160 pages of "take" for the interested case officers. This total was amassed despite the reduction in coverage during the initial portion of the project year as noted in CHANGES above, and does include the number of pages of transcriptions of one LIENVOY line, which is transcribed daily by Project LIFEAT.

2) Highlights of this LIFEAT coverage by area of operational interest follow:

SOVIET

- a. LIVESTOCK-2, former Station asset, possibly in contact with Soviet Embassy, (201-150944)
- b. ABSCQUEL-1, possible Soviet illegal, (201-153511)
- c. Home telephone of KGB Resident (201-101794)
- d. Home telephone of known KGB officer (201-057222)
- e. Home telephone of known GPU officer (201-114000)
- f. Home telephone of suspect KGB officer (201-211-758017)
- g. Target of special interest to KUDSK, C/KUDSK, and ODENVY; former employee of OPLOCIC in contact with known KGB officer (201-753976)
- h. Target of special interest, ZRTAPPY/KUDSK
- i. Home/office telephone of known KGB officer (201-132139)

In this area, the LIFEAT coverage basically provides information concerning the contacts and activities of the target individuals. The interested Station Case Officer has stated that "LIFEAT has continued to provide

valuable KUDSK insight into the behavior and activities of the targets monitored. Of particular interest is the coverage of the subject of 201-753976, a former employee of GFILOGIC who is now in contact with a known KUB officer. LIFEAT is at present the only major Station asset covering this target intensively and the majority of the information which has been developed on this individual has originated with LIFEAT. Prior knowledge from LIFEAT of this individual's recent travel to PEFROMS enabled ODENVY to locate and interrogate him. In addition, the coverage of one of the above noted Soviet intelligence officers was maintained in support of a possible re-entry of the target for purposes of installing technical surveillance equipment.

PERUMEN 5 lines in addition to the LIFEAT/LIOMEN technical installation

- a. Home telephone of ANSKIPT-1, PERUMEN intelligence officer, in support of the AMROD operation (201-334294).
- b. Home telephone of PERUMEN MESPAN agent (201-336474).
- c. Home telephone of close friend of AMRHUG family, particularly in support of the ANSKIPT-2 operation (201-357942) (at the request of JMWAVE.)
- d. Home telephone of close friend of ANQUACK-1 (201-117124).
- e. Office telephone of PERUMEN Embassy.
- f. LIFEAT/LIOMEN technical operation.

Throughout this period, the LIFEAT/LIOMEN phase of this operation, linked with the normal coverage of the telephones in the same office, continued to provide operational information covering the activities in the target office of the PERUMEN Embassy. Specifically, the identities and motives of visitors to this office and persons travelling to PERUMEN, as provided by LIFEAT was of significant interest. In addition, these two installations provided an excellent check on the veracity and completeness of the reporting of Station asset LIFEAMIL-9. With this agent's recent departure from Mexico, the LIFEAT coverage of the target office formerly requested by LIFEAMIL-9 has assumed additional importance. The coverage of the known PERUMEN MESPAN agent provided information of significant value during the crisis in the Dominican Republic in early May 1965. During this month, summaries of this take were cabled to Headquarters almost daily.

In an evaluation of the LIFEAT product in this area, the senior Headquarters' case officer for the AMROD operation, Thomas G. (LUXBARE) (P) wrote: "The AMROD operation, a successful deception operation run for more than two years against PERUMEN was originally predicated upon the documentary materials obtained through LIFEAT in 1957. Since the inception of the AMROD operation in April 1963, LIFEAT has continued to be the main source of information in this deception, which has had important political effects in the target country. The most recent specific target of the LIFEAT operation useful in the AMROD operation has been the coverage of ANSKIPT. This coverage, pertaining as it does to the opposition case officer in the AMROD operation, has enabled KUBARK case officers to keep up with his movements, problems and state of mind, and has made it possible to effect a more accurate evaluation of his character than would otherwise have been possible. In summary, the LIFEAT operation has been and continues to be the real source of the information on which the AMROD operation is based and one of the principal mechanisms through which its results can be followed and the tactical situation properly evaluated and acted upon."

PCM 6 lines - High level PCM leaders, subjects of:

- a. 201-042557
- b. 201-067016
- c. 201-336389
- d. 201-745387
- e. 201-745927
- f. HMA-25610, 17 March 1965

In addition to providing the majority of the positive intelligence reports noted in Section C above, the continued LIFEAT coverage in this area is basically designed to support the Station's CP penetration program and to monitor the activities of various high level CP functionaries. Of special interest was the coverage of subject of 201-067016, who is actively engaged in daily LICHARVEST activities. LIFEAT's other coverage in this area provided the initial information on various planned trips by high ranking PCM members, the site and date of a PCM leadership training school, and served as an excellent check on the Station's various penetration agents. In addition, the Station's continuing MHSPOWN operation targeted against the PCM bookstore is based largely on LIFEAT information; LIFEAT information also provides an excellent check on the effectiveness as well as the PCM reaction to this operation. Finally, the coverage of Subject of HMA-25610, dated 17 March 1965 was instituted in direct support of the recruitment operation targeted against Subject, planned for late May 1965.

AMERICAN COMMUNIST GROUP IN MEXICO (ACGM) 2 lines

The home telephones of two ACGM leaders at the request of ODENVY, subjects of:

- a. 201-090048
- b. 201-092539

In reference to this LIFEAT coverage of the ACGM lines, the local ODENVY office has written: "From an evaluation of the information received from such coverage, this office feels that it is very valuable and many useful leads are obtained, particularly with regard to travel in and out of Mexico of American Communists who are in contact with individuals on whom coverage is maintained. It provides us with information on their activities not presently available through any other source."

NEWS/LICHARVEST 8 lines

- a. INLET official installation, 5 telephones
- b. LICHARVEST official installation (news office)
- c. Home telephone of INLET official (201-050201)
- d. Home telephones of the REDOX Intelligence Section Resident (201-279128) (BECORN)

Specific highlights in this area of activity are:

Emergency coverage was provided on the home of BEEORN who was a KUBARK recruitment target. Although the projected recruitment attempt never materialized, the rapid initiation of this coverage again proved the value of LIFEAT in supporting unilateral Station actions on short notice. In the IMLET area, LIFEAT proved to be a continuing source of information on the activities of the members of the official IMLET installation in Mexico. In addition, this coverage was a valuable check on IMPETAL, a Station agent in place in the IMLET installation.

From 1 July 1964 through 24 December 1964, project LIFEAT continued to be a reliable source of information on the activities of the officers of the ICHARVEST installation and provided identification of many of their Mexican contacts. In January 1965, the LIENVOY Project assumed the coverage of this line; however, the daily "take" from this line is still fully transcribed by Project LIFEAT for passage to LIRAMA.

HEADQUARTERS REQUEST/TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY 8 lines

The most important of which are:

- a. UNION-177 (Special ZREAFY/KUDESK request)
- b. Subject of H44A-25983, 29 April 1965 (ZREAFY/KUDESK)
- c. LIEMFACE-9
- d. 5 target of opportunity lines

One of the "target of opportunity" lines was initiated in an effort to verify or refute a report that the office immediately below LILINK was possibly engaged in clandestine or police type activities. This coverage revealed no clandestine activity and thus afforded an additional degree of protection to the sensitive LILINK office. The LIFEAT coverage of LIEMFACE-9, a terminated and disaffected member of the Station's principal surveillance team, was initiated after a blackmail attempt on the part of LIEMFACE-9. This coverage was continued until such time as it became clear that no additional blackmail effort would be forthcoming from LIEMFACE-9.

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	<u>29,015</u>

Field Agents:

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LIFEUD-2 (lineman)	2,800
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LIFEUD-5 (basehouse keeper)	3,650
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LIFEUD-7 (basehouse keeper)	2,800
LIFEUD-8 (basehouse keeper)	2,600
LIFEUD-9 (assistant basehouse keeper and transcriber)	845
LIFEUD-15 (basehouse keeper)	1,800
LIFEUD-24 (basehouse keeper)	1,400
LIFEUD-26 (basehouse keeper)	2,000
LIFEUD-32 (centralman)	1,250
LIFEUD-35 (basehouse keeper)	3,000
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Agent to be recruited as additional translator Christmas bonus (by local requirements-one month's salary) and gifts where necessary	3,500
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WILSTED housing allowance	3,500
Rent Annex II (MEXI-98)	1,500
Rent Annex IV (MEXI-75)	2,400
Rent Annex V (MEXI-96)	1,600
Rent Annex VI (MEXI-88)	3,000
Rent Annex VII (MEXI-8)	2,000
Rent Annex VIII (MEXI-13)	3,000
Rent Annex IX (MEXI-97)	3,000
LIFEAT/LIVERY Relay base (MEXI-39)	1,000
Basehouse utilities and maintenance	3,000
Allowance for rental/utility increase	1,000

c. Local purchase replacement parts, wire, supplies, equipment repair	1,000
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d. Transportation - includes payment to agents for use of POV on daily operational business.

MV 2539 (used by WILSTED; expenses for 6 months)	\$ 300
Replacement vehicle for MV 2539	3,500
Use of LIFEUD-2's POV	500
Use of LIFEUD-5's POV	400
Use of LIFEUD-7's POV	400
Use of LIFEUD-8's	500
Use of LIFEUD-24's POV	500
Mileage (official) paid to ZINSMELSTER	300
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WILSTED educational allowance	450
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3) Personnel -

a. Wayne C. DRABAND (P)/LIFEUD-24 (201-119525)

In November 1964, Wayne C. DRABAND, WILSTED's assistant, departed Mexico with his wife, a KUBARK staffer who had been transferred PCS from this Station. (Prior to this departure, Station requested that LIFEUD-24's operational approval be amended to include the duties performed by DRABAND. This amendment to LIFEUD-24's approval was received in HMA-12820, dated 13 August 1964.) DRABAND was replaced on 1 November 1964 by LIFEUD-24, who after a suitable overlap period, assumed the daily contact with various LIFEAT basehouse keepers and transcribers. LIFEUD-24 has proven to be most adept at agent handling and has cheerfully accepted the increased responsibility and work load.

b. LIFEUD-32 (201-748946)

The Operational Approval for the use of LIFEUD-32 (see Section B. CHANGES, paragraph 2) was granted via DER-2861), dated 17 June 1964.

c. LIFEUD-33 (201-760676)

A two-month extension on Subject's use as an assistant basehouse keeper was granted by HMA-13684, dated 11 April 1965. Requisite PRQ Part II information is now being compiled.

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- d. LIFEUD-35 (formerly LICRAB-1) (201-740227)
An OA, effective 30 December 1964, was received via HMMW-13270, dated 3 January 1965, for Subject's use as a LIFEAT basehouse keeper. Subject and his wife, LIFEUD-36, are employed as basehouse keepers at LIFEAT ANNEX V.
- e. LIFEUD-35 (formerly LICRAB-2) (201-764713)
A POA effective 10 December 1964 was received on Subject via HMMW-13220, dated 16 December 1964. Requisite FBI Part II information is being compiled and will be forwarded.
- f. LIFEUD-37
A POA for Subject's use as translator/transcriber was received via HMR-11995 on 21 May 1965.
- g. LIFEUD-4 (201-117743)
HMMW-24054, dated 6 August 1964 forwarded the Agent Service Record of Subject, who died of natural causes on 11 July 1964.
- h. LIFEUD-14/LIFEUD-17 (201-117972)/(201-185370)
HMMW-24266, dated 10 September 1964, forwarded the Agent Service Records for LIFEUD-14 and LIFEUD-17, basehouse keepers who were terminated due to marital difficulties.
- i. LIFEUD-16 (201-222786)
The Agent Service Record for LIFEUD-16, who was terminated due to his loss of access, was forwarded with HMMW-26158, dated 20 May 1965.

A diagram is attached as Annex I to this renewal request, showing all active agents as relating to basehouses and operational assignments.

C. INTELLIGENCE PRODUCTION

1) Positive Intelligence

While LIFEAT is basically targeted to provide KODESK and "operational support" information, some positive intelligence is derived as a by-product. During the ten-month period from 1 July 1964 through 30 April 1965, project LIFEAT contributed wholly or in part to 19 positive intelligence reports, which were forwarded to Headquarters as follows:

HMM-9126	HMM-9243	HMM-9455
9127	9290	9472
9141	9315	9535
9157	9341	9543
9221	9390	9622
9226	9398	
9229	9422	

This relative decrease in numerical production is in part a reflection of the loss of access to the central exchanges during the initial portion of the project year (as detailed in Section B, paragraph 2), but a more

significant indication of the increased emphasis on the basic "operational support" nature of this project.

In addition to the RMs noted above, project LIFEAT had provided 29 pages of cabled reports (dissemination of which was left to Headquarters) during the crisis in the Dominican Republic in early May 1965. (MEXI-3369, MEXI-3370, MEXI-3372, MEXI-3373, MEXI-3374, and MEXI-3376, all of 11 May 1965.) Station Mexico City has been orally informed that this information was of great interest and in part was used to answer questions raised by OPLOGIC.

2) KUDSK

During the ten-month period under review, the LIFEAT project fulfilled a standing requirement to provide KUDSK data on the following targets:

- a. Known and suspect Soviet intelligence officers and agents. 9 lines
- b. NYKIS/EMLET-ICHARVEST-DIZPAG-BEDOX installations and officers. 8 lines
- c. American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM) (ODENVY requests). 2 lines
- d. PERUMEN installation and officers. 5 lines and LIFEAT/LIOMEN "hot" installation.
- e. PCN leaders. 7 lines
- f. Special Headquarters requests, ZRTAPPY/KUDSK requests, and targets of opportunity. 8 lines

D. EFFECTIVENESS

1) Since 1 July 1964 (through 30 April 1965), Project LIFEAT has covered a total of 40 different target lines which produced 2,256 reels of raw "take". When processed by the LIFEAT and related transcribers/translators, these reels produced approximately 6,160 pages of "take" for the interested case officers. This total was amassed despite the reduction in coverage during the initial portion of the project year as noted in CHANGES above, and does include the number of pages of transcriptions of one LIENVOY line, which is transcribed daily by Project LIFEAT.

2) Highlights of this LIFEAT coverage by area of operational interest follow:

SOVIET

- a. LIVESTOCK-2, former Station asset, possibly in contact with Soviet Embassy, (201-150944)
- b. AEMBUQULET-1, possible Soviet illegal, (201-133511)
- c. Home telephone of KGB Resident (201-101794)
- d. Home telephone of known KGB officer (201-057122)
- e. Home telephone of known GRU officer (201-114000)
- f. Home telephone of suspect KGB officer (201-211-755017)
- g. Target of special interest to KUDSK, C/KUDSK, and ODENVY; former employee of OPLOGIC in contact with known KGB officer (201-753976)
- h. Target of special interest, ZRTAPPY/KUDSK
- i. Home/office telephone of known KGB officer (201-132139)

In this area, the LIFEAT coverage typically provides information concerning the contacts and activities of the target individuals. The interested Station Case Officer has stated that LIFEAT has continued to provide

valuable KUBARK insight into the behavior and activities of the targets monitored." Of particular interest is the coverage of the subject of 201-753976, a former employee of GPHOGIC who is now in contact with a known KGB officer. LIFEAT is at present the only major Station asset covering this target intensively and the majority of the information which has been developed on this individual has originated with LIFEAT. Prior knowledge from LIFEAT of this individual's recent travel to PHERDS enabled ODENVY to locate and interrogate him. In addition, the coverage of one of the above noted Soviet intelligence officers was maintained in support of a possible re-entry of the target for purposes of installing technical surveillance equipment.

PERUMEN 5 lines in addition to the LIFEAT/LIOMEN technical installation

- a. Home telephone of ANKIPT-1, PERUMEN intelligence officer, in support of the AMROD operation (201-334294).
- b. Home telephone of PERUMEN MISPAWN agent (201-336474).
- c. Home telephone of close friend of AMBURO family, particularly in support of the ANSTRUT-2 operation (201-357942) (at the request of JMWAVE.)
- d. Home telephone of close friend of ANQUACK-1 (201-117124).
- e. Office telephone of PERUMEN Embassy.
- f. LIFEAT/LIOMEN technical operation.

Throughout this period, the LIFEAT/LIOMEN phase of this operation, linked with the normal coverage of the telephones in the same office, continued to provide operational information covering the activities in the target office of the PERUMEN Embassy. Specifically, the identities and motives of visitors to this office and persons travelling to PERUMEN, as provided by LIFEAT was of significant interest. In addition, these two installations provided an excellent check on the veracity and completeness of the reporting of Station asset LITAMIL-9. With this agent's recent departure from Mexico, the LIFEAT coverage of the target office formerly requested by LITAMIL-9 has assumed additional importance. The coverage of the known PERUMEN MISPAWN agent provided information of significant value during the crisis in the Dominican Republic in early May 1965. During this month, summaries of this take were cabled to Headquarters almost daily.

In an evaluation of the LIFEAT product in this area, the senior Headquarters' case officer for the AMROD operation, Thomas G. (KUBARK) (P) wrote: "The AMROD operation, a successful deception operation run for more than two years against PERUMEN was originally predicated upon the documentary materials obtained through LIFEAT in 1957. Since the inception of the AMROD operation in April 1963, LIFEAT has continued to be the main source of information in this deception, which has had important political effects in the target country. The most recent specific target of the LIFEAT operation useful in the AMROD operation has been the coverage of ANKIPT. This coverage, pertaining as it does to the opposition case officer in the AMROD operation, has enabled KUBARK case officers to keep up with his statements, problems and state of mind, and has made it possible to effect a more accurate evaluation of his character than would otherwise have been possible. In summary, the LIFEAT operation has been and continues to be the principal mechanism through which its results can be followed and the tactical situation properly evaluated and acted upon."

PCM 6 lines - High level PCM leaders, subjects of:

- a. 201-042557
- b. 201-067016
- c. 201-336389
- d. 201-745387
- e. 201-745927
- f. HMAA-25810, 17 March 1965

In addition to providing the majority of the positive intelligence reports noted in Section C above, the continued LIFEAT coverage in this area is basically designed to support the Station's CP penetration program and to monitor the activities of various high level CP functionaries. Of special interest was the coverage of subject of 201-067016, who is actively engaged in daily ICHARVEST activities. LIFEAT's other coverages in this area provided the initial information on various planned trips by high ranking PCM members, the site and date of a PCM leadership training school, and served as an excellent check on the Station's various penetration agents. In addition, the Station's continuing MESPAN operation targeted against the PCM bookstore is based largely on LIFEAT information; LIFEAT information also provides an excellent check on the effectiveness as well as the PCM reaction to this operation. Finally, the coverage of Subject of HMAA-25810, dated 17 March 1965 was instituted in direct support of the recruitment operation targeted against Subject, planned for late May 1965.

AMERICAN COMMUNIST GROUP IN MEXICO (ACGM) 2 lines

The home telephones of two ACGM leaders at the request of ODENVY, subjects of:

- a. 201-090618
- b. 201-082539

In reference to this LIFEAT coverage of the ACGM, the local ODENVY office has written: "From an evaluation of the information received from such coverage, this office feels that it is very valuable and many useful leads are obtained, particularly with regard to travel in and out of Mexico of American Communists who are in contact with individuals on whom coverage is maintained. It provides us with information on their activities not presently available through any other source."

WCCS/ICHARVEST 8 lines

- a. IMLET official installation, 5 telephones
- b. ICHARVEST official installation (news office)
- c. Home telephone of IMLET official (201-050201)
- d. Home telephones of the BRDOK Intelligence Section Resident (201-279128) (BRDOK)

Specific highlights in this area of activity is: [redacted]

Emergency coverage was provided on the home of BECORN who was a KUBARK recruitment target. Although the projected recruitment attempt never materialized, the rapid initiation of this coverage again proved the value of LIFEAT in supporting unilateral Station actions on short notice. In the IMLET area, LIFEAT proved to be a continuing source of information on the activities of the members of the official IMLET installation in Mexico. In addition, this coverage was a valuable check on IMPETAL, a Station agent in place in the IMLET installation.

From 1 July 1964 through 24 December 1964, project LIFEAT continued to be a reliable source of information on the activities of the officers of the LCHARVEST installation and provided identification of many of their Mexican contacts. In January 1965, the LIENVOY Project assumed the coverage of this line; however, the daily "take" from this line is still fully transcribed by Project LIFEAT for passage to LIRAMA.

HEADQUARTERS REQUEST/TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY 8 lines

The most important of which are:

- a. UNION-177 (Special ZRITAFY/KUDESK request)
- b. Subject of H44-25985, 29 April 1965 (ZRITAFY/KUDESK)
- c. LIEMRACE-9
- d. 5 target of opportunity lines

One of the "target of opportunity" lines was initiated in an effort to verify or refute a report that the office immediately below LILINK was possibly engaged in clandestine or police type activities. This coverage revealed no clandestine activity and thus afforded an additional degree of protection to the sensitive LILINK office. The LIFEAT coverage of LIEMRACE-9, a terminated and disaffected member of the Station's principal surveillance team, was initiated after a blackmail attempt on the part of LIEMRACE-9. This coverage was continued until such time as it became clear that no additional blackmail effort would be forthcoming from LIEMRACE-9.

E. PROBLEMS

1) On various occasions throughout the past project year, telephone company crews, engaged in re-wiring street distribution boxes in conjunction with the company's modernization program, have "invaded" areas served by LIFEAT basehouses. In several instances, the telephone crews discovered cable terminals which according to their records, should have not been in use, but which were in fact "hot" (being used to route LIFEAT taps.) In all instances, WILSEK and the LIFEAT liaison were able to remove all traces of these taps before the telephone company crews could verify and record their origins and/or termini. Consequently, "flaps" were avoided in all cases but it was necessary to suspend operational activity in the effected basehouses until such time as the crews cleared the area. Although this problem will continue to plague LIFEAT for some time to come, WILSEK and the LIFEAT linemen are making a special effort to obtain advance warning of telephone company crews working in the areas served by LIFEAT basehouses.

a. Salaries

career and contract agents:

David M. WILSTED (including possible pay raise)
(GS-13, career agent)

13,615

Carol K. ZIMMISTER (translator)
Olga A. PARFENIK (translator)
LIFEUD-30 (translator)

6,800
5,000
5,600
17,400

Field Agents:

LIFEUD-1 (Principal Mexican agent for operations)
LIFEUD-2 (linesman)
LIFEUD-3 (linesman)
LIFEUD-4 (basehouse keeper)
LIFEUD-6 (See Olga A. PARFENIK, contract agent above)
LIFEUD-7 (basehouse keeper)
LIFEUD-8 (basehouse keeper)
LIFEUD-9 (assistant basehouse keeper and transcriber)
LIFEUD-15 (basehouse keeper)
LIFEUD-24 (basehouse keeper)
LIFEUD-26 (basehouse keeper)
LIFEUD-32 (centralman)
LIFEUD-35 (basehouse keeper)
LIFEUD-37 (translator)
LIBERTY-19 (translator)
Agent to be recruited as additional translator
Christmas bonus (by local requirements-one month's salary) and gifts where necessary

6,500
2,800
2,000
3,650
3,000
2,800
2,600
815
1,800
1,400
2,000
1,250
3,000
3,000
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3,500
42,145

b. Basehouse expenses:

WILSTED housing allowance
Rent Annex II (MEXI-98)
Rent Annex IV (MEXI-75)
Rent Annex V (MEXI-96)
Rent Annex VI (MEXI-88)
Rent Annex VII (MEXI-8)
Rent Annex VIII (MEXI-13)
Rent Annex IX (MEXI-97)
LIFEAT/LIVERY Relay base (MEXI-39)
Basehouse utilities and maintenance
Allowance for rental/utility increase

3,500
1,500
2,400
1,600
3,000
2,000
3,000
3,000
1,000
3,000
1,000

c. Local purchase replacement parts, wire, supplies, equipment repair

1,000
41,000

i. Transportation - includes payment to agents for use of POV on daily operational business.

NV 2539 (used by WILSTED; expenses for 6 months)	\$ 300
Replacement vehicle for NV 2539	3,500
Use of LIFEUD-2's POV	500
Use of LIFEUD-5's POV	400
Use of LIFEUD-7's POV	400
Use of LIFEUD-8's	500
Use of LIFEUD-24's POV	500
Mileage (official) paid to ZINSMEISTER	300
	<u>6,400</u>

e. Miscellaneous administrative expenses:

WILSTED home leave (eligible 1 February 1965)	2,000
WILSTED educational allowance	450
WILSTED operational travel	200
	<u>2,650</u>

f. MISCELLANEOUS operational expenses:

Includes contingency fund, loss of rental deposits, bribes, storage and moving expenses.	1,000
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TOTAL \$107,200 U.S.

J. EMERGENCY CONDITIONS

1) In the event of civil disorders or the evolution of complete or enforced neutrality on the part of the host government it is believed that regular operational contact could be maintained with the active agents, with only minor changes in the existing communication systems.

2) In the most unlikely event of the establishment of a regime hostile to OUYORE, limited but continued contact could probably be maintained with the regular operational assets. It is believed that LIFEAT would, under the conditions described above, be able to continue to operate against current or new targets.