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PROJECT REVIEW AND PROJECT OUTLINE (PARTS I AND II)

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PROJECT LIFEAT

PROJECT REVIEW

I. Product of the Project

A. Soviet Coverage

Project LIFEAT has not provided coverage of the entire Soviet official installation in Mexico City since 22 June 1960 when Project LIENVOY assumed this responsibility. This freed LIFEAT to provide, with its coverage, home phones of selected Soviet officials which could better support not only the Station's CE effort but also other Station operations against the Soviet target. In this effort, LIFEAT covered the homes of four of the more active Soviet Intelligence Officers stationed in Mexico during the reporting period. Samples of the operational information provided by LIFEAT follows:

HFM-6479, 15 June 1962 (Mexican Winners of Soviet Scholarships to Patrice Lammba University)

HMMA-19826, 21 September 1962 (Transmittal of LIFEAT Report - Vladilan I. SAMONHIN)

HMMA-19879, 21 September 1962 (Transmittal of LIFEAT Report - Aleksandr G. SIDOROV)

HMMA-19879, 28 September 1962 (Aleksandr G. SIDOROV Tatiaya SOKOLOVSKAYA)

HMMA-19996, 12 October 1962 (Soviet Personnel Assigned to Mexico City)

B. LIFEAT has remained a primary source on this target throughout the past project year. Further, LIFEAT information is considered a fruitful source of operational leads by the responsible Case Officer. Selected examples of the valuable intelligence product derived from the <u>Polish</u> coverage are:

HMMA-19500, 3 August 1962 (BECHICK Telecon)
HFMA-20896, 15 March 1963 (BEKNAVE Status Report)
HMMA-19552, 10 August 1962 (BEKNAVE-BECHICK)
HMM-7270, 14 May 1963, (Polish Ambassador to Mexico to Present credentials to Haitian Government.



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C. Yugoslav Coverage

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LIFEAT coverage of the Yugoslav official installation in Mexico City has provided a wealth of information on the contacts, activities, and travel of members of that mission. Since the Station's effort against this target was greatly increased within the last year, LIFEAT information has been used extensively to provide the basic operational and personality data necessary for this stepped-up program. Examples of LIFEAT produced positive intelligence and general operational information on this target are as follows:

HMMA-19311, 10 July 1962 (Activity of the CP of Yugoslavia in Mexico City)

HMMA-19344, 13 July 1962 (Yugoslav Embassy Mexico City)

HPMA-19653, 24 August 1962 (Miodrag RADOVIC)

HTTA-19689, 24 August 1962 (Yugoslav Travel)

HMFA-19973, 9 October 1962 (Djordje VUJIC)

HMMA-20016, 11 October 1962 (Gustav VIAHOV)

HMM-6993, 8 February 1963 (Projected Travel to Yugoslavia of Emilio Portes Gil)

HMM-7005, 8 February 1963 (Plan of Adolfo Lopez Mateos to Visit Yugoslavia)

HFM-7011, 12 February 1963 (Possibility of New Mexican-Yugoslav Commercial Aid Treaty)

HMM-7106, 19 March 1963 (Yugoslav Project to Promote Economic Relations with Mexico)

HMMA-21005, 29 March 1963 (Zdenko HAS)

HMM-7310, 24 May 1963 (Plan for Tito to sign New Mexican-Yugoslav Cultural Agreement During his visit to Mexico)

D. Cuban Coverage

During the reporting period LIFEAT coverage of the Cuban target was directed toward the support of KUBARK operations in this field and was not designed to provide positive intelligence. LIFEAT covered a total of 10 lines in direct support of operations in this field. Most of the product of this area of operation was forwarded by cable to JYWAVE and Headquarters. Examples of pouch communications in this field are:

HNMA-20032, 16 October 1962 (AMSTRUT/LIFEAT Coverage) HNMA-20308, 4 December 1962 (AMSTRUT) HNMA-20425, 28 December 1962, (Jose ORDOQUI)





E. American Communist Group in Maxico (ACGM)

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As noted in past project reviews, most of the targets in this group have been covered at the request of CHENY. and the raw take has been processed by them. During the period July 1962 through May 1963 approximately 390 reels of take were passed to the local ODENY for their processing. On 23 August 1962 the local ODENY advised, "This office feels the coverage mentioned is quite valuable and many useful leads are obtained from this coverage, particularly with regard to travel in and out of Mexico of American Communists who are in contact with individuals on whom coverage is maintained". Typical examples of reporting based on LIFEAT coverage of the ACGM are:

HAMA-19531, 10 August 1962 (Albert MALTZ, Noah SEBORER, Charles SMALL)

HMMA-19678, 24 August 1962 (Albert MALTZ-Margaret MALTZ) HMMA-19771, 7 September 1962 (Albert MALTZ and Charles SMALL)

HMMA-19771, 7 September 1962 (Albert MALTZ and Charles SMALL)
HMMA-20937, 22 March 1963 (Albert MALTZ, Noah SEBORER, Charles
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HPMA-21299, 7 May 1963 (Charles SMALL and Noah SEBORER)

P. Exile and Revolutionary Activities

During the past year this area of activity, in addition to the already noted Cuban coverage, accounted for the greatest percentage of the LIFEAT effort. Most of the information provided by LIFEAT in its coverage of targets in this area was not available from other sources. While Coverage has been provided on Spanish Republican, Guatemalan, Costa Rican, and Nicaraguan exiles, the bulk of this product has resulted from the coverage of Juan Jose AREVALO Bermejo and various of his acquaintances, the "take" being forwarded to Headquarters and Station Guatemala by either weekly cable summaries or immediate action cables when warranted. It is noted that the coverage has been most rewarding in the case of AREVALO and the recent coverage of Examples of productivity in this area:

HPM-6452, 3 June 1962 (Contacts of Juan Jose AREVALO in Mexico) HPM-6499, 22 June 1962 (Activities of Juan Jose AREVALO) HPMA-19499, 11 July 1962 (Mario MONTEFORTE Toledo) HPM-6565, 13 July 1962 (Meeting Between Fernando Aguero and Juan Jose AREVALO)

HMMA-19805, 14 September 1962 (Coverage of Juan Jose AREVALO) HMM 6780, 9 October 1962 (Arrival in Mexico of Leading Arevalists) HMM-6914, 25 January 1963 (Appointment Setween Juan Jose AREVALO and Adolfo LOPEZ Mateos)





HMM 6935, 5 January 1963 (Planned Travel of Juan Jose AREVALO to Venezuela and Santo Domingo)

HMM-6936, 15 January 1963 (Travel of Lic. Luis Jimenez de ASUA)

HMM-6937, 15 January 1963 (Planned Meeting Between Juan Jose AREVALO Bermejo and Luis Jimemez de ASUA)

HMM-20835, 5 March 1963 (Confersation - Juan Jose AREVALO and Sacha VOLMAN)

HMMA-21059, 8 April 1963 (HMM-21059, 8 April 1963 (Whereabouts of Juan Jose AREVALO)

HMMA-21087, 16 April 1963 (HMMA-21087, 16 April 1963

G. Counter-Intelligence Information

Mexico City Station's Related Mission Directive places greatest emphasis on operations in the CI/CE area. LIFEAT was able to provide a continuing worthwhile contribution in the attainment of the Station's objectives in this field. Coverage included that on AEGENERATE, Carlos Humbert ILLESCAS (who acts in the capacity as covert liaison link between the CP and the Soviet Embassy), and a PCM safe house. In addition to the continuing operational support in the CI/CE field, the following informational reporting was provided.

HMM-6626, 10 August 1962 (Soviet Scholarship for the Daughter of David Alfaro Siqueiros, Imprisioned Communist)
HMM-667, 24 August 1962 (Mexican Delegates to Technical Movie Congress in Moscow)
HMMA-20140, 6 November 1962 (LISTED-1 and 2)
HMMA-20721, 14 February 1963 (AEGENERATE)
HMMA-21109, 19 April 1963 (Dr. Jesus LOZOYA Solis)

H. Operational Support and Leads Provided other Station Operations



LIFEAT/Soviet: The valuable assistance which LIFEAT rendered Station efforts in this area was amply displayed in its support of Station assets mounting a technical surveillance operation targeted against the home of a known Soviet intelligence officer stationed in Mexico City under official cover. LIFEAT information provided vital information which enabled the Station to establish a pattern of action, of both the family of the Scviet officer and his maid. This information made possible the setting of a time for the actual entry into the target, and continuing coverage (including live monitoring of the target line immediately preceeding the operation) by LIFEAT made possible a degree of security for this operation which would not have been possible without the support of a tap operation. Further LIFEAT coverage has, in addition to giving information on the daily activities and contacts of Soviet officials, provided an excellent check on the contacts of three KUPARK controlled double agents with their Soviet Case Officers. This coverage has enabled the responsible Case Officer to guide his operations with increased assurance that his agents continue to be fully cooperative and under his control.

LIFEAT/Cuban: LIFEAT activities in this area were concerned primarily with support to the AMSTRUT operation. Coverage of relatives of AMSTRUT-2 provided an excellent "window" into the operation which enabled the responsible Case Officers to move with more certainty and security in developingthis operation. The Case Officers involved considered the LIFEAT coverage an essential check on the activities of the principals in the case which was especially valuable during the initial stages of the operation. Travel plans of AMSTRUT-2 provided by LIFEAT were also essential to the timing of the operation. Also in the Cuban area LIFEAT coverage of 0-2 agent enabled the Station to gain an insight into his contacts and activities. Further, recent initiation of coverage of a Cuban Commercial Official gives evidence of producing solid information of commercial transactions and Mexican Commercial contacts of the Cuban Government.

LIFEAT/Polish: LIFEAT continued its coverage in the FEKNAVE/EECHICK operation. (See previous project renewal for background of this case and the LIFEAT participation in it.) Of great interest to this operation was LIFEAT information indicating that the wife of EECHAVE had become aware of his interest in another moman, and later revelation of reassignment and travel plans of EECHAVE.

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LIFFAT/Mugoslavs In addition to the usual information concerning the Yugoslav officials and their daily contacts and activities, LIPEAT provided leads which could pay off in future operations. One example was a lead which revealed that a diplomatic courier would be travelling alone and taking a new travel route while carrying an official pouch. With this early warning, the Station was able to plan an operation to provide access to this correspondence. Although Headquarters finally vetoed this particular operation, sufficient early warning was given by LIFFAT so that the operation could have been carried out. Another example of this type of lead was the data available from LIFFAT coverage that a new location was being sought for the Yugoslav Embassy, and which specific locations were under consideration. Armed with this information the Station has been able to make a technical casing of one of the prospective sites and obtain information necessary for entry into the other sites.

LIFEAT/Exile: As noted previously, LIFEAT coverage of the exile activities was the single major effort by LIFFAT during the project year. In particular, LIFEAT coverage of Juan Jose AREVALO Bermejo, which included lengthy periods of "live-monitoring", on occasion called for coverage of five lines. Cabled summaries of LIFEAT information were provided Headquarters and Station Guatemala. It is believed that the importance of this LIFEAT coverage can not be stressed too much. LIPEAT Coverage of a Costa Rican Communist exile resident in Mexico City has lead to a wealth of operational leads including the discovery of this person's envolvement in a Communist Ausding mechanism. Also, LIFFAT was active in covering the Spanish Republican exile community in Mexico City during the GPIDEAL visit to Mexico. LIPEAT coverage in this case was considered necessary to reveal immediately any renewal of an earlier planned attempt on the life of an CEYCKE official by one group of the Republican Exiles. Ultimately, LIFEAT revealed the departure from Mexico of two of the ringleaders in the plot.

LIFEAT/CI/CE: At Headquarters request LIFEAT coverage was established on a former SMOTH agent whose past actions gave/for some suspicion of his present activities. Product from this line has revealed an effort by a group of this individual's friends to discredit the senior CFACID official in Mexico. Early warning by LIFEAT has made possible the preparation of counter action (see HMA-21764). LIFEAT has also provided coverage of a suspected RIS support agent. This coverage had provided the background material necessary for checking on the activities of this suspect agent. Continuing LIMEAT reporting on the American Communist Group in Mexico (ACCM) has provided ODENVY with great quantities of information on activities of leftist friends of





of the ACCM including their travel plans to Mexico and in some cases. Cuba. As noted in paragraph I. E. above, the local office of CDENVY considers this coverage "quite valuable". As also noted in previous renewals, LIFEAT ability to give the interested case officers a check on active and former agents increases the security of present operations and provides greater security for long term assets who may have been in contact with now terminated agents.

It is the opinion of the Mexico City Station that the support provided

H. Conclusion

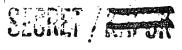
other Station operations, the CI/CE information and leads, and the ability of the LIFFAT operation to cover sensitive targets without revealing Station interest to the liaison forces, well justify the expenditure of funds, time, personnel and security risk. As it has been noted in the past, that even with the Station's envolvement in the parallel, LIENVOY operation, a change in attitude by or a change in the present could end KUEARK participation in that For that reason, LIFEAT, in addition to maintaining its present heavy coverage, must be available to once again undertake coverage of the official Soviet and Czech official targets in Mexico City. Therefore, LIFEAT's present orientation, though toward supporting Station operations and CI/CE mission rather than toward targets which would provide positive intelligence, leaves it readily available for recall into the Soviet-Czech coverage. It is the Station's firm opinion that the LIFEAT project provides a substantial and vital contribution in fulfiliment the several priority objectives of the Station's Related Mission Directive.

There is attached a list of the HPMs produced from LIFFAT provided material during the period July 1962 through May 1963, as a by-product of the project's prime responsibility of providing support to Station operations.

II. Progress of the Operation

The objectives of the LIFEAT Project are of a continuing nature and are therefore not considered for fulfillment during any given period of time. For this reason percentage figures as to completion of project objectives cannot be drawn. However, an indication of the coverage provided in working toward fulfillment of the objectives can be noted in that approximately 12,500 pages of raw text were produced in the period July 1961 through April 1963. LIFEAT has been in daily operation during the review period with the average number of lines covered per month being 18, and a high in October 1962 of 25 lines covered.





III. Planning for the Puture

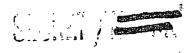
As was indicated at the time of the last project renewal, LIFEAT hopes to remain uncommitted to coverages that require the expenditures of a great portion of LIFFAT resources but provide coverage of but one target...such as Soviet Embassy coverage. It is added emphatically, however, that should the need arise for LIFFAT to again assume such responsibilities, it is fully able to do so. Until such time LIFFAT will continue to enjoy greater flexibility in the employment of its assets, especially in the areas in which the Station does not wish to reveal

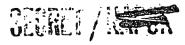
V. Expenditures

Approval for renewal of Project LIFEAT was granted 8 August 1962 for FY 1963 in the amount of \$99,000.00. The proposed budget for FY 1964 is broken down in the attached Field Project Outline Renewal Request, Part II, and totals \$23,808.

VI. Status of Commitments

There are no commitments other than those noted in the project outline submitted herewith and in the individual contracts and oral agreements (memoranda of oral agreements were forwarded as necessary) of the various LIPPAT personnel.



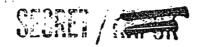


Even with the operational emphasis of the LIFEAT Project being on Station operational support, it is thought significant to include a list of HPM's produced through May 1963 (approximately 10 months of the project year) as a by-product in the LIFEAT operation.

HMM 6421 HFM 6452 HMM 6479 HAM 6499 HPM 6565 HPM 6605 HMM 6626 HMM 6663 HMM 6667 HMM 6670 HPM 6780 HMM 6914 HPM 6919 HMM 6935 HMM 6936 HMM 6937 HPP 6993 HMM 7011 HMM 7005 HPM 7048 HMM 7073 HMM 7106 HNM 7145 HPM 7160 HPM 7214 1994 7270 HP91 7310

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PROJECT OUTLINE, PART I

l. Area of Operations

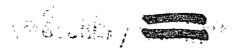
This operation is run from Mexico City Station and is concerned with targets located within Mexico City.

2. Purpose

The purpose of this project is to provide, unilaterally, daily information on the activities of official foreign installations in Mexico and the personnel thereof, as well as coverage of the activities of selected individuals and groups in response to both Station needs and Headquarters requests. Presently, LIFEAT stresses flexibility of coverage with support of Station operations and CI/CE coverage receiving the greatest emphasis.

3. Background

Project LIFEAT was originated on 3 October as a telephone tap operation Actual initiation of operations under this authority occurred on 18 January, and the operation has run continuously from the date. The project was opened with the installation of a single tap and has grown in the past eleven years to coverage of as many as thirty lines in a given month.
The LIFEAT Project is a operation completely independent from any arrangement. It is staffed by KUDARK contract employees with the majority of personnel being indigenous controlled agents.
During the pastyears, Project LIFFAT has produced more than 97,000 (estimate) pages of operational and intelligence information in direct support of Mexico City Station's specific objectives, and contributed materially to the intelligence gathering activities connected with the Soviet-Satellite Bloc and more recently with the Cuban representatives in Mexico. In addition, LIFEAT has been of considerable value in monitoring the activities of the American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM), as well as the activities of the exile groups and local Communists.
With the LIENVOY's assumption of coverage of the Soviet and Czechoslovakian official installations in July 1960, LIFEAT assets were released from continuous coverage of these two targets. These assets were then employed in direct support of Station operations—a role ideally suited for aoperation such as LIFEAT, and extremely important to the security and success of Station operations.



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- b. HPW-10803, 31 July 1962 (LIFEAT Project Renewal)
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- d. HPA-19843, 20 September 1962 (LIFEAT Progress Report, August 1962)
- e. HPVA-20156, 8 November 1962 (LIFFAT Progress Report, September 1962)
- f. HPFA-20261, 28 November 1962 (LIFEAT Progress Report, October 1962) g. HPFA-20457, 4 January 1963 (LIFEAT Progress Report, November 1962)
- h. HPMA-20551, 18 January 1963, (LIFEAT Progress Report, December 1962)
- 1. HPPA-20073, 8 March 1963 (LIFEAT Progress Report, January 1963)
- J. HPPA-21040, 12 April 1963 (LIFFAT Progress Report, February and March 1963)

5. Objectives

- a. To identify Soviet and satellite intelligence personnel in Moxico and to provide information on the nature and extent of their clandestine intelligence and propaganda activities in Mexico.
- b. To collect information of the Satellite officials both as to their activities as well as information of biographic nature.
- o. To support specific Station operations, especially in the recruitment, defection, Communist Party penetration and counter-intelligence fields,
- d. To collect information on prominent Mexican Communists and pro-Communists and their activities.
- e. To collect information on prominent Communists, other than Maxican, active in Mexico, and to identify them and their associates and activities.
- f. To collect information on exile groups and individuals active in Maxico.
- g. To provide coverage of targets of opportunity in Mexico City in support of Station objectives and Huadquarters's requests.

6. Targets

For objectives a and by

- a. Select Soviet intelligence officers home phones.
- b. Selected Satellite officials office and home phones.





c. Selected private phones being used by known and suspected Satellite intelligence personnel.

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d. Selected telephones as requested by Station Case Officers in support of their going and/or projected operations.

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e. Telephone conversations from residences of senior Communists and pro-Communists.

For objective or

f. Telephone conversations from residences of known American Communists residing in Mexico City.

For objective f:

g. Telephone conversations from the residences or offices of prominent extle leaders or their contacts in Nexico City.

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h. Telephone conversations which can be monitored from targets of opportunity,

7. Tasks

Case Officer - Jeromy L. NIARCOB

- a. Supervise the operational and administrative activities of all LIFFAT personnel.
- b. Maintain awareness of and provide direction in all matters pertaining to the operational management of the LIFEAT Project.
- e. Provide guidance and day-to-day supervision of special operational phases of LIFFAT coverages.
- d. Coordinate information received from the LIFFAT coverage with other Station operations, and doordinate as necessary with the Station personner responsible for the parallel LIENCOY operation.



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e. Maintain LTFFAT capabilities for mounting operations against targets of opportunity.

f. Maintain supervision over basehouses, equipment, and training of personnel assigned to the LIFEAT operations.

8. Coordination

- a. Information produced by LIFEAT, primarily a Station operational support asset, is closely coordinated with other operations of the Mexico City Station. No operational coordination is required with any other geographical area, but they are advised of any information produced by LIFEAT which may be of interest to them.
- b. Project LINCO which supports the principal "outside" Case Officer, David M. WILSTED, is effected in coordination with Project LIFEAT.

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d. Although there is no direct connection with the recently activated LINACK operation of the Merida Base, LIFFAT experience in telephone tap procedures and especially security and processing of information, sided COB Merida in setting up the LIMACK operation.

9. Personnel

- a. Career and Contract Agents
 - (1) David M. WILSTED (201-009195), principal "outside" Case Officer.
 - (2) Nayne C. IRABAND (201-255095), outside assistant to David M. WILSTED. DRABAND was introduced into the LIFEAT operation in November 1961. His OA was amended 14 November 1961 to provide for his use in this operation. His tour in Mexico has recently been extended to November 1964.
 - (3) LIFMIRACE-8 (201-111616) was introduced into the LIFEAT operation as backup technician to WILSTED. He was actively employed in the technical phase of the operation during the home leave period of WILSTED in December 1962 and January 1963. Since LIEMIRACE-8 continues with his normal functions under MKCHARITY, he will not be funded under LIFEAT except in the event of WILSTED's prolonged absence or incapacity. LIEMIRACE-8's OA was amended 7 April 1962 to allow his use in LIFEAT.



- (4) Carol K. ZINSEISTER (201-117968). LIFEAT processor/ translator and former basehousekeeper who can be recalled for temporary reassignment to basehousekeeping duties.
- (5) Olga A. PARKINTK (201-117978), LIFEAT processor/translator. OA for LIFEAT employment dated 28 September 1954,

b. Field Agents

(1)	LIFSUD-1, OA granted 17 October (201-182704)
(2)	LIFEUD-2, OA granted 14 August (201-117971)
(3)	LIFEUD-3, OA granted 14 December (201-117971)
(4)	LIFE-D-4, OA granted 1 October (201-117743)
(5)	LIPEUD-5, OA granted 16 December (201-117744)
(6)	LIFETD-6, See Olga PARFINIK - Contract Agent section above
(7)	LIFEUD-7, OA granted 21 October (201-117980)
(8)	LIFEUD-8, OA granted 31 March (201-119521)
(9)	LIFEDD-9, OA granted 27 April (201-117984)
(10)	LIFEUD-10, OA granted 13 September (201-114085)
(11)	LIFEUD-11, OA granted 21 August (201-113595)
(12)	LIFEUD-12, OA granted 6 August (201-113569)
(13)	LIFEUE-13, OA granted 13 September (201-115833)
(14)	LIFEUD-15, OA granted 19 January (201-126315)
(15)	LIFSUD-16, OA granted 2 July (201-222786)
(16)	LIFEUD-18, OA granted 2 October (201-185370)
(17)	LIFEUD-19, OA granted 18 May 1960 (201-262488)
(18)	LIFEUD-22, (formerly LILILLY-1), amendment of OA requested
•	24 April 1962 (201-288248)
(19)	LIFFUD-23, (formerly LILILLY-2), amendment of OA requested
•	24 April 1962, (201-305604)
(20)	LIFEUD-24, OA granted 24 September 1962 (201-119525)
(21)	LIFEUD-25, OA granted 3 January 1963 (201-332335)
(22)	LIFEUD-26, POA granted, OA requested 31 October 1962 (201-332335)

- c. During the past project year the following personnel were dropped from Project LIFEAT, for reasons noted below.
- (1) LIFFUD-14 (201-117972) and LIFEUD-17 (201-135370). This couple, having experienced a number of apparently insoluble marital problems, mutually decided upon separation and eventual divorce. Since their use in LIFEAT (as basehousekeepers) would not be possible with the breakup of their home, they were terminated as of 30 September 1962. Termination was effected on a mutually agreeable basis and no security problem has arisen to date, nor is any expected in the future.

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- (2) LIFEUD-22 (201-288248) and LIFEUD-23 (201-305604), son and mother, presently occupy the LIFEODE photo basehouse and were never directly envolved in LIFEAT type work. It had been originally planned to use LIEROXE basehouse as the terminus for the LIFEAT/MKTRAP technical operation targeted against the official LIEROXE mission in Mexico City. LIFFUD-22 and 23 were to have been the basehousekeepers for this operation. When it was found that the MKTRAP operation could not be routed to this basehouse because of technical considerations, the base was employed as a photosurveillance base targeted against the LIEROXE mission. Since this operation is not connected with LIFFAT operations or personnel, these two agents will no longer be carried under the LIFFAT project.
- (3) LIFEUD'27 (201-332331) was granted a POA on 20 September 1962 for use as an alternate LIFFAT basehousekeeper. However, due to a change of plans envolving agents's availability for LIFFAT work, she was never recruited and this clearance was cancelled on 25 January 1963.

10. Operational Clearances

See Section 9 above.

11. Cover

There are no changes in the cover of personnel who have been previously employed in the LIFEAT operation. With the new agents employed since the last project renewal, cover is as follows:

- a. LIFEUD-24 has natural cover of manager of a small profitable medicine distributorship in Mexico City. Subject's office hours and activities are therefore not scrutinized by a superior and subject can devote the necessary time to his LIFEAT duties and cover his LIFEAT salary without difficulty.
- b. LIFEUD-26 has natural cover of housewife (wife of LIFEUD-24) and mother. She performs her LIFEAT duties only in her home (LIFEAT ANNEX VI).
- c. LIFEUD-25 has natural cover of the wife of a retired businessman (LIFEUD-4). A review of LIFEAT personnel files during the past year revealed she had been included on her husband's clearance request in _____but had never been granted clearance in "her own right". This was corrected when on 3 January 1963 LIFEUD-25 was granted a full OA.





12. Contact and Communications

Daily contact is maintained between the Case Officer and the agents employed in the project. These contacts are made in a clandestine manner with varying patterns established for car pickups, foot contacts, and emergency meetings. Fre-arranged signals are employed in setting and accomplishing the meetings. When heavy or bulky material is to be passed, meetings are held at night. Entrance to the basehouses by other than the basehousekeepers is made only on the basis of strict necessity; such as need for equipment repair, installation for new line coverages, or line coverage cut off.

As to agent recontact arrangements, there is little possibility that project LIFEAT could continue to operate in its present form in the event Mexico would become a "denied area" police state. It is possible, however, that certain of the presently employed agents could be converted to straight FI functions or support agent roles. Recontact can be effected by mentioning that the person recontacting the agent is a friend of "Ingeniero Stanley" (title used by David M. WILSTED with LIFFAT indigenous agents) and mentioning the LIFFAT work the agent previously engaged in with "Ingeniero Stanley". (This recontact method has been laid on with the LIFFAT indigenous agents.) Emergency communication procedures have been developed which apply to the present operational enviormment, and are reviewed periodically by both WILSTED and the responsibile Case Officer and are updated as necessary.

Telephone contact concerning the project and with the agents is kept to a minimum. Pre-arranged open code is used for phone conversations between Case Officers and agents.

These systems of contact and communication appear suitable for the project and function adequately from the security and utility standpoints. Locations and times of meetings are reviewed periodically and are changed frequently to decrease the possibility of arousing the suspicions of the residents of areas in which meetings are held.

13. Control and Motivation

Control and motivation are primarily based on two factors: ideology and financial gain. A secondary factor is the fear of reprisal from the local police should discovery occur.

14. Security

During the past project year there were no incidents which were beyond the capability of the personnel immediately involved to isolate and remedy immediately. In contrast to previous years, there was no instance of telephone work crews approaching a basehouse to check or remove the tap lines running to that basehouse. Some of the made in the telephone





have been removed by the workmen, but these are of no danger to the operation unless a full investigation is made of one of these unusual connections. During the past project year no such investigation has been undertaken, and no suspicion of the LIFEAT linemen has been revealed to date.

The greatest dangers faced by LIFEAT in the past year centered on two developments: 1) the continued efforts of the telephone company toward modernization of the Mexico City telephone system and 2) the investigation launched by the Secretaria de Comunicaciones y Obras Publicas (SCOP) to determine if the telephone company has not been providing maximum possible service to Mexico City residents by holding from use certain "spare pairs" of every cable and distribution box:

telephone cable to the basehouse itself. With fewer legitimate overhead wires to mask the presence of the tap lead-in lines, these lead-in lines become more readily noted in casual inspection by telephone company crews. The limiting of the mobility of the LIFEAT has not yet interferred seriously with LIFEAT security or efficiency.

A number of ideas have been tried to bypass this problem but as yet no natisfactory solution has been found. LIFEAT personnel are continuing their attempts to negate this problem, too.

As to the SCOP investigation, which is presently being pursued with more vigor than is usually found in Mexican bureaucracy, the problem here is also two-fold. Pirst is the problem that the SCOP crews have authority to enter any (and eventually all) telephone distribution box and check back on each connection in these boxes to see if they are actually in use. On one occasion they have rung back on a "spare pair" which was in use by LIFEAT to route a tap to a basehouse. Although no security problem ensued it is an example of the daily danger faced by LIFEAT in this case.



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It should be noted at this point that the LIFEAT operation could "blow" at any time through any of a large number of security dangers LIFEAT faces in its daily operation as a _______ effort. LIFEAT personnel are trained and experienced in taking whatever action is necessary to negate or lessen the damage as necessary, but it is true that there can occur a situation which will "blow" the operation despite the best efforts.

15. Training

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Initial training of new personnel and continuing refresher training for the experienced personnel are handled primarily by the "outside" case officer, David M. WILSTED. Minor repair and maintenance of equipment as well as emergency security procedures are stressed and continually reviewed with the agents.

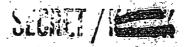
16. Equipment and Support

With the funds requested for this purpose in last approved project renewal, L*FEAT audio and dial tape recorders were replaced during the past year. Except for the usual problems discovered in equipment which has been shipped for any distance, this new equipment has worked well since initial use in the operation. It is believed that there will be no need to purchase additional large amounts of special equipment for some years in the future, provided that there is no radical shift necessary in the tap techniques presently employed in the operation.

17. Timetable

LIFEAT has been in continuous operation since its inception in January _______ and as a vital Station operational support asset, it is planned to continue it indefinitely.

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PROJECT LIFEAT

PROJECT OUTLINE, PART II

18. Estimated Costs

The following are the estimated costs for Fiscal Year 1964. All figures are U.S. dollars per year (US \$1.00 equals 12.50 Mexican pesos). Changes in estimated costs for particular items will be noted. These reflect not only the continued inflationary trend in the Mexican economy, but also the EIFEAT operational emphasis of support to Station operations. In this latter case particular line coverage is of shorter duration, causing greater expense in installation and removal of tap lines and crosses and frequent shifting of basehouse sites.

In the agent salary category total expense in contract agent salaries was increased somewhat (due to raises granted DRAEAND and ZINSEISTER during the past year) and reduced considerably in the field agent category (due primarily to termination of three well paid agents.) Overall funds requested for FY 1964 total \$83,808 compared to \$99,000 granted for use in FY 1963 -- a reduction of \$15,192. A great part of this reduction was possible by programing no new equipment purchases for the coming year (see paragraph 16 above).

a. Salaries

(1) Career and contract agents

David M. WILSTED (GS-13 equivalent) no expenses included in Project LIFEAT as he is supported entirely by Project LINOG. Wayne C. DRABAND 6,000 LIEMERACE-8 (since this agent is used in LIFEYT only in emergency situation in the event of WILSTED's absence and is actively employed by MKCHARITY. he will continue to be funded under that project 6,400 Carol K. ZINSMEISTER Olga A. PARFINIK 4,500 Additional translator/processor to be recruited. 3,600

\$20,500



(2)	Field Agents		
•		6,500	1
	LIFEUD-1	2,800	
	TILEND-5	2,000	
	LIFEUD-3	2,200	
	LIFEUD-4	3,650	ì
	LIPEUD-5	,,	
	LIFEUD-6 (see Olga A. PARFINIK in contract agent section above)	•	
		2,700	,
	LIFEUD-7	2,800	
	LIFEUD-8	2,200	٠
	LIFEUD-9	2,200	
	LIFEUD-10 (No salary)		
	LIFEUD-11 (No salary)		
	LIFEUD-12 (No salary)		
	LIFEUD-13 (No salary)	845	
	LIFEUD-15	1,585	
	LIFEUD-16	-17-7	
	LIFEUD-18 (No salary)	1,500	
	LIFEUD-19	1,500	
	LIFEUD-24	2,,,,,	
	LIFEUD-25 (No salary)	1,000	
	LIPEUD-26	-	
	Two basehouse keepers to be recruited	2,500	
	Christmas bonus (in accordance with		
	local distant which amounts to one mone	h's	
	pay) and gifts where necessary.	4,100	
	bat / and dans		
Bas	sehouse rentals		
		2,000	
	Annex II	2,688	
	Annex III	2,760	
	A-man TV		

Annex VI 1,728
Annex VII 3,072
Annex VIII 2,880
Annex IX

Annex IX

Basehouse utilities and expenses 2,000

d. Allowance for usual rental increases
when lease renewed
1,200

21,328

37,880



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e. Local purchase replacement parts, wire, expendable supplies (as paper products, typewriter ribbons, and emergency-special equipment)

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f. Transportation

MV 2455 used by DRABAND LIFEUD-2, car rent	500 400
LIFEUD-7, car rent	400
LIFEUD-8, car rent	400
LIFEUD-5, car rent	300
ZINSFEISTER mileage	300

2,300

g. Miscellaneous ops expenses
(includes loss of rental deposits,
bribes, expenses in moving and
setting up basehouses, and expenses
involved in special coverage of
targets of opportunity)

1,000

GRAND TOTAL

83,808

(NOTE: For the coming project year Station has not included, as was done in past, a fund for extraordinary expenses involved in agent terminations. The ordinary costs will be absorbed by the project. If unusual expenses occur, Headquarters will be requested to amend Project LIFEAT for the necessary amount.)

All terminations of indigenous personnel will be in accordance with Mexican law and will include lump sum separation settlement, transportation and moving expense payments, and any salary due at the time of the termination.

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