DDP/PG/FI 31 Jul 63

PROJECT BRIEFING

PROJECT: LIFEAT

WH - Mexico

ACTION: ADDP approval of renewal

1 Jul 63 - 30 Jun 64

PURPOSE: Unilateral telephone tap operation (since 1950) providing information on the activities of selected individuals and groups in response to Station and Headquarters needs. Principal targets have been official installations, Soviet L3 officers, Polish and Yugoslav official installations, selected Cubans, American Communists in Mexico, Mexican leftists and exile groups in Nexico. Project used an average of 15 lines per month with a high of 25 lines in October 1962. Primary emphasis is on CI/CE information and data required to support other operations.

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Project has continued to provide valuable information on active Soviet intelligence officers and on other targets. Of particular interest was the heavy coverage on Juan Jose AREVALO. Project continues to be available as a reserve for the liaison telephone tap operation, LIENVOY, in the event of a change in attitude of the Mexican Government. In addition to CI/CE and operational data, project was credited with 36 positive disseminations.

: \$83,803 FUNDS

Sølaries - 4 contract personnel	\$20,500
Compensation to 15 indigenous agents	37,880
Basenouse costs (7 units)	21,328 900
Replacement parts	900
Transportation	2,300
Miscellaneous operational expenses	1,000

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STAPF COMMENTS: FI, CI and Contral Cover Staffs concur in renewal.

PI STAFF: Value of the project is primarily as an operational support mechanism. Last year provided 36 disseminations. Although relatively expensive, it appears to be worth the cost in view of its ability to perform a variety of useful functions.

CI STAPP: Considers project as being an extremely valuable producer of CI/CE coverage, leads and support to other Station operations. CI Staff appreciates the security problems as described and feels that the Station has done a fine job in being alert to and coping with these problems.

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