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MEMORANDUM

Date: October 4, 1965

To: Mr. Richard C. Rowson

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From: Jan Stransky *J.S.*

Subject: Anti-RFE Czech brochure.

The title of the brochure reads "Sybil's Forecasts are False". It was published by the Army Publishing House "Nase Vojsko" in 1965. The author, Karel A. Krejci, is a comparatively unknown journalist.

Unlike the "October" article of June 1965 which recognized the FEC as a formidable adversary, this brochure simply attempts to ridicule and to slander RFE and its Czechoslovak staffmembers. RFE is depicted as a cold war creation, sponsored and maintained by US authorities -- a "gray" operation which, primarily, serves the purposes of US intelligence. To prove this point, the author uses out of context numerous quotes by US personalities -- e.g. John Foster and Allan Dulles, Presidents Truman and Eisenhower, General Clay, Senator Kersten, etc. -- as well as such "documentary" material as papers, allegedly found on the persons of spies and agents dispatched into Czechoslovakia by RFE. One of the chapters concentrates on personal attacks upon members of the Czechoslovak BD in Munich who are accused of all kinds of moral turpitudes and depravities. The "dolce vita" pictures are meant to confirm the image of RFE as a den of depravity -- yet hardly any RFE staffmembers appear in these pictures, taken during the Munich "Fasching" period.

Information contained in the text is considerably outdated: leaflets of the Crusade for Freedom, reproduced in the brochure, have not been used for many years; scandal-mongering rumors concerning RFE staffmembers are but a rehash of statements made in the mid-fifties by some redefectors; data on positions, held by some individuals, are quite obsolete. Thus the text gives the impression that it has been prepared several years ago, and that only now the authorities decided to publish the brochure.

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