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1. The following report is submitted in accordance with CSFHB-F 52-6-1, section V, paragraph 2 (d) (1).

A. EXPLOITATION OF LEADS

(1) LIFEAT/Cuban In the course of the reporting period LIFEAT covered two targets of ZRKNICK interest. One of these lines was considered productive of operational leads but was temporarily discontinued for operational reasons. Coverage of the second line was terminated for lack of production. The only lead produced from this line was reported on in HMA-22164. LIFEAT has continued to cover two lines in connection with the AMSTRUP operation. The product of this coverage is of interest to Special Affairs Staff and JMWAVE and the take is forwarded weekly to these customers. Recently this particular coverage has provided information of interest on the relationships within the family of Fidel CASTRO and the continuing deterioration of these relationships. Coverage of the home phone of a Cuban official was instituted at the request of a Special Affairs Staff officer to support the sensitive AMROD operation.

(2) LIFEAT/Soviet LIFEAT continued its coverage of the home phones of two known Soviet intelligence officers. Product and use continues as reported in reference. Coverage of one of these lines was discontinued during the recent absence from Mexico of one of these targets. This coverage is now being re-instated.

(3) LIFEAT/Polish Recent LIFEAT information from coverage of this target has indicated that a senior [] official in Mexico is conducting an affair with the wife of another Polish official. The LIFEAT lead was the basis for further Station action in this case. LIFEAT has increased its coverage in support of this possible future recruitment attempt. Also in the Polish field, LIFEAT provided coverage of a suspected Polish illegal residing in Mexico.

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(4) LIFEAT/Czech LIFEAT activity in this area has been limited to coverage of the home phone of a Czech intelligence officer. Unfortunately to date little of operational value has turned up on this line other than biographic data of interest.

(5) LIFEAT/Exile LIFEAT's continuing coverage of ESLARD-1 has provided information of interest to KUBARK on E-1's planned travel and the delays to that travel as well as his future type and place of employment. Coverage of [redacted] provided the lead on which the recruitment of LICENTO-1 was based. L-1 was recruited as an access agent to [redacted] for possible future recruitment attempt of her. This coverage has also enabled this Station to advise another Station of the possible susceptibility to recruitment of a Communist from the country of concern to that Station.

(6) LIFEAT/PCM In addition to the [redacted] coverage mentioned in paragraph 1.A. (5) above, coverage of a member of the PCM [redacted] has yielded good information on the pro-Chinese/pro-Soviet infighting in the PCM as well as target analysis information on various PCM officials.

(7) LIFEAT/American Communist Group in Mexico (ACGM) The information provided to the local ODENVY office from the coverage of [redacted] and [redacted] has been evaluated as valuable by that office. It is particularly useful in covering movements of American leftists and Communists who travel to Mexico and frequently on to Cuba.

(8) LIFEAT/Miscellaneous LIFEAT coverage of a former SMOTH agent is of interest to SMOTH, Headquarters and the senior ODYOKE officer in Mexico. This and the coverage of a related line enable the interested customers to maintain a check on the former SMOTH agent's activities which are against the best interest of PBPREME.

B. PROCESSING OF TAKE

No change.

C. PERSONNEL

LIFEUD-1 has managed to extend his "commission" as investigator of personnel for the [redacted] See SECURITY section below.

During the reporting period special drug was provided by Headquarters for the treatment of a child of LIFEUD-5. This drug was not available locally and LIFEUD-5 was most grateful for the assistance of his "friends" in obtaining this material.

D. LIAISON

No change from previous reports.

E. SECURITY

LIFEUD-1's efforts to extend his investigative commission to cover employees of the [redacted] has proven successful. This greatly increases the access of LIFEAT and somewhat reduces the security threat to the LIFEAT [redacted] and central man when working on installation, repair or removal of LIFEAT crosses. This latter can not be fully negated since it is now apparent that in his retired status LIFEUD-1 can never provide the personal back up protection to these LIFEAT personnel that he could prior to his retirement. Although the risk inherent in a LIFEAT type operation can not be completely eliminated, it is felt that it can be reduced to a workable level.

The coverage of the Yugoslav Embassy lines has been assumed by LIEWOY. Therefore LIFEAT will not have to run the particular risk of re-establishing the coverage. It was the necessarily complicated "jump" from one central zone to another that alerted the telephone company crew to check the tap line routing of this coverage described in paragraph 1.E. of reference.

F. TECHNICAL

No change from previous reports.

2. The coverage provided by LIFEAT during the reporting period totaled 24 separate lines. A breakdown by target is as follows:

1. [redacted]
2. [redacted]
- 3, 4, 5 and 6. Polish Embassy and Commercial Office
7. and 8. AMSTRUT Operation
9. Home of a Cuban Commercial Attache
10. Home of a Czech intelligence officer
11. and 12. Homes of suspected Polish IS agents.
13. and 14. Targets of ZRKNICK interest
15. and 16. [redacted] and related line
17. and 18. [redacted] and related line.
19. Suspected Czech IS agent
20. [redacted]
21. [redacted]
22. [redacted]
23. [redacted]
24. [redacted]

3. During the reporting period a number of memoranda were prepared by the Station for passing to local ODACID and ODENVY based in whole or in part on LIFEAT provided material.

Further, the following HMMs were based on LIFEAT provided information:

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| HMM-7574 | HMM-7746 |
| HMM-7576 | HMM-7797 |
| HMM-7596 | HMM-7798 |
| HMM-7597 | HMM-7802 |
| HMM-7603 | HMM-7825 |
| HMM-7618 | HMM-7826 |
| HMM-7634 | HMM-7838 |
| HMM-7643 | HMM-7854 |
| HMM-7664 | HMM-7857 |
| HMM-7667 | HMM-7875 |
| HMM-7676 | HMM-7879 |
| HMM-7689 | HMM-7896 |
| HMM-7692 | HMM-7900 |
| HMM-7721 | HMM-7922 |
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