THE FUNCTION OF MONITORING PRESS
AND PROPAGANDA OF FOREIGN POWERS

Pursuant to paragraph 1 of the letter from the President, dated 22 January 1946, which designated this authority as responsible for planning, developing, and coordinating the federal foreign intelligence activities so as to assure the most effective accomplishment of the intelligence mission related to the national security, the following policies and procedures relating to the function of monitoring press and propaganda broadcasts of foreign powers are announced:

(1) The function of monitoring press and propaganda broadcasts of foreign powers is an essential intelligence information source to the intelligence agencies of the State, War and Navy Departments. It should be carried out under the direction and control of the Central Intelligence Group.

(2) The present organization carrying on this function under the direction and control of the War Department should be liquidated. The Director of Central Intelligence shall issue the necessary directives to effect the liquidation.

(3) During the period of liquidation, the foreign broadcast intelligence service function should be administered and operated by the War Department so as to serve the intelligence agencies subject to our...
coordination. The Director of Central Intelligence shall issue the necessary directives to accomplish this mission.

(b) The Director of Central Intelligence will be responsible for determining which funds, personnel, and facilities are required by the Central Intelligence Group for continuing this function and for making the administrative arrangements and issuing the directives necessary to effect their transfer. He will be responsible for determining what facilities are required to be continued by the State, War and Navy Departments to fulfill the function and for making the necessary arrangements for their continuance. He will be responsible also for determining when the O.I.O. is capable of taking over the operating of the function.

(5) The War Department will take the necessary budgetary action to carry out this program.