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MEMORANDUM

TO: Active Measures Working Group

FROM: INR/ID - Kathleen C. Bailey

SUBJECT: Minutes of Working Group Meeting
of July 31, 1986

The meeting was chaired by Dr. Bailey. Attending were: Mr. Romerstein (USIA), Mr. Copp (USIA), [redacted] Mr. Knecht (PA/OAP), Mr. Rapoport (INR/IC), [redacted] Fischer (ACDA), Major Bobell (OJCS), [redacted] Mr. Schmidt (EUR/SOV), Colonel Paddock (DOD/OSD/PSYOP), Ms. Johnson (NEA/RA), Ms. Swann (AF/P), [redacted] Mr. Hunter (1st PSYOP Bn), Lieutenant Colonel Dunbar (1st PYSOP Bn), [redacted] Dr. Lenczowski (NSC), Mr. Lester (ARA/LPD), Lieutenant Colonel Jacobowitz (DOD/PSYOP), Mr. Hertzberg (M), Mr. Heatley (S/IL), and Mr. Harbin (EAP/RA).

I. Gingrich Report

The group discussed further suggested additions and revisions to the report on [redacted] by the first Gingrich Amendment (Sec. 147), hereinafter called the Gingrich report.

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It was decided to hold another session on the Gingrich proposals. This meeting has been scheduled for 2:30 P.M. on Wednesday, August 6th in the INR Conference Room, 6530 NS.

II. Briefing on Active Measures in Central America

COL Paddock distributed copies of the joint State/DOD unclassified publication The Challenge to Democracy in Central America, which was released last month. COL Paddock then introduced the First PSYOP Battalion commander LTC Dunbar, who introduced [REDACTED] who briefed the group on Active Measures and Hostile Propaganda in Central America. Mr. Hunter's briefing featured a case study of recent disinformation campaigns alleging US use of chemical and biological weapons in the region along with charges of immoral conduct by US troops in Honduras. It was well received and Dr. Bailey expressed the hope that some portion of it could be declassified in the future.

III. New Business

Dr. Bailey announced that this was Mr. Rapoport's last active measures meeting and invited working group members to attend his farewell party.

The next regular meeting of the active measures working group will be held on Wednesday, August 27 at 10:00 A.M. in the INR Conference Room, 6530 NS. Please note that this is a change from our usual Thursday meeting date. Members with agenda items should contact Andrew Sheren (647-8357).

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