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MEMORANDUM

To:

Members of the Political Committee

From:

Acting Chairman

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CSCE FINAL ACT

As agreed at the meeting of the Political Committee •n 9th March, I enclose a draft questionnaire which might be considered at the Political Committee's meeting with Experts on 18/19th March, 1976.

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Comparative Statistics on Basket III for 1974 and 1975

I. HUMAN CONTACTS

A. Family Meetings

- (i) number of Bulgarian persons * applying for Belgian entry visas to visit their families.
- (ii) number of Belgian entry visas issued for this purpose.
- (iii) degree of difficulty and delay placed by Bulgaria on applications for (a) exit and (b) entry visas for this purpose: (1) great difficulty; (2) considerable difficulty; (3) moderate difficulty; (4) little difficulty; (5) no difficulty.
 - (iv) has there been an improvement in Bulgarian performance in this field since the Helsinki Final Act: (1) much improvement; (2) moderate improvement; (3) little improvement; (4) no improvement; (5) worse.

B. Reunification of Families

- (i) number of Bulgarian persons applying for Belgian entry visas to be reunited with their families.
- (ii) number of Belgian visas issued for this purpose.
- (iii) estimate of number of Bulgarian persons whose applisations to Bulgarian authorities for this purpose have been unsuccessful.
 - (iv) degree of difficulty and delay placed by Bulgaria on Bulgarian applicants for this purpose: (1) great difficulty; (2) considerable difficulty; (3) moderate difficulty; (4) little difficulty; (5) no difficulty.
 - (v) cost of emigration documentation.

*References in this questionnaire to Bulgaria and Belgium are illustrative. The same questionnaire could apply to implementation as between any Warsaw Pact country and any member of the Alliance.

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(vi) has there been an improvement in Bulgarian performance in this field since the Helsinki Final Act: (1) much improvement; (2) moderate improvement; (3) little improvement; (4) no improvement; (5) worse.

C. Bi-National Marriages

- (i) estimated number of applications for Bulgarian/ Belgian marriages requiring Bulgarian action.
- (ii) estimated number of Bulgarian (a) exit (b) entry permits issued for Bulgarian/Belgian marriages.
- (iii) estimated number of exit/entry permits delayed for more than six months.
 - (iv) has there been an improvement in Bulgarian performance in this field since the Helsinki Final Act:
 (1) much improvement;
 (2) moderate improvement;
 (3) little improvement;
 (4) no improvement;
 (5)worse.

D. Travel and E. Tourism

- (i) total number of applications for (a) visas (b) tourist visas for travel from Bulgaria to Belgium.
- (ii) total number of (a) visas (b) tourist visas granted to Bulgarians by Belgium.
- (iii) estimated number of (a) visas (b) tourist visas granted to Belgians by Bulgaria.
- (iv) average length of time for issue of Belgian visas; cost of visas.
 - (v) average length of time for issue of Bulgarian visas; cost of visas.
- (vi) cost of (a) Bulgarian (b) Belgian tourist passport.
- (vii) has there been an improvement in Bulgarian performance in this field since the Helsinki Final Act:
 (1) much improvement; (2) moderate improvement;
 (3) little improvement; (4) no improvement;
 (5) worse.

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II. INFORMATION

A. Printed Information

- (i) estimated number of Belgian newspapers and magazines in circulation in Bulgaria showing (a) number of titles (b) number of copies and (c) percentage of (b) accounted for by Belgian Communist publications.
- (ii) degree of availability of these publications to the public (a) in the news stands (b) in libraries and reading rooms (c) by subscription: (1) wide;
 (2) moderate; (3) limited; (4) very restricted.
- (iii) has there been an improvement in Bulgarian performance in this field since the Helsinki Final Act;
 (1) much improvement;
 (2) moderate improvement;
 (3) little improvement;
 (4) no improvement;
 (5) worse.

B. Filmed and Broadcast Information

- (i) estimated number of Belgian (a) entertainment (b) non-entertainment (documentaries, cultural films, language films) films shown in Bulgaria:

 (i) commercially; (ii) on television; (iii) by special showings.
- (ii) percentage of Belgian radio broadcasts jammed by Bulgaria.
- (iii) number of broadcasts of Belgian programmes (except films) on Bulgarian television by (a) number of titles (b) number of showings.
 - (iv) has there been an improvement in Bulgarian performance in this field since the Helsinki Final Act:

 (1) much improvement;
 (2) moderate improvement;
 (3) little improvement;
 (4) no improvement;
 (5) worse.

C. Journalists

- (i) number of visas granted to Belgian journalists by Bulgaria (a) for permanent accreditation (b) for shorter visits.
- (ii) estimated number of such visas refused.

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- (iii) estimated number of such visas delayed for more than six months.
 - (iv) number of Belgian journalists permanently accredited to Bulgaria.
 - (v) degree of improvement in Bulgarian performance since the Helsinki Final Act on (a) access to Bulgarian sources (b) freedom of movement (c) freedom to import technical equipment (d) freedom to import technical assistance (e.g. film crews) and (e) freedom to communicate as necessary with parent organizations by any means: (1) much improvement; (2) moderate improvement; (3) little improvement; (4) no improvement; (5) worse.
 - (vi) general Bulgarian performance in aspects covered
 in (v) (a) (e) above is now: (1) very satisfactory; (2) satisfactory; (3) less than satisfactory; (4) very unsatisfactory.

POSSIBLE ADDITIONAL POINTS

I. WESTERN IMPLEMENTATION

Both for purposes of comparison and for use in refuting Eastern criticisms of the West, it would seem desirable to gather equivalent data on Western implementation. Should suitable questions be added to the questionnaire?

II. PARTS OF BASKET III NOT COVERED BY QUESTIONNAIRE

The suggested questionnaire does not cover at all the following sections of Basket III: Meetings among young people 1(f), Sport 1(g), Expansion of Contacts 1(h), Oral information 2(a)(i), Co-operation in the field of Information 2(b), Co-operation and Exchanges in the field of Culture 3, and Co-operation and Exchanges in the field of Education 4. Should the questionnaire cover the whole of Basket III exhaustively? In particular, should a separate questionnaire be compiled on culture and education?