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MEMORANDUM

To: Members of the Political Committee

From: Acting Chairman

IMPLEMENTATION OF THE FINAL ACT OF THE CSCE

As agreed by the Political Committee at its meeting on 18th June, 1976, I attach an amalgamated and final version of questionnaires on Eastern and Western implementation of Basket III provisions of the Final Act of the CSCE.

2. I now invite the first round of replies. In accordance with the Political Committee's decision, the replies should be provided on a six-monthly basis, beginning 1st January, 1974, and should cover the period at least up to 31st December, 1975 and, if possible, up to 30th June, 1976.

3. As is the normal practice, it is for each government to decide whether and how to reply. But I do hope that as many as possible will respond as fully as they can. This questionnaire is intended to collect facts about implementation on a comparable basis, so that general trends may be identified. The statistics will be subject to interpretation by capitals and the Political Committee in the light of all the other information available to them. Unless we have the element of comparable information which they will provide, however, it may well become increasingly difficult to put together a coherent picture.

4. Even if some governments find it difficult to provide answers to some of the questions, I hope they will respond to those for which they do have information. In addition, those completing the questionnaire are invited to provide any commentary they believe appropriate in responding to individual questions.

5. Replies to this questionnaire would be appreciated by 1st October, 1976.

(Signed) E.L. KILLHAM

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IMPLEMENTATION OF THE CSCE FINAL ACT BY EASTERN
AND WESTERN PARTICIPANTS

Comparative Statistics on Basket III

(To be provided in six-monthly periods beginning
with 1st January - 30th June, 1974)

(Note: Comments in reply to individual questions are welcome)

I. HUMAN CONTACTS

A. Family Meetings

- (i) Number of Bulgarian persons(1) applying for Belgian entry visas to visit their families.
- (ii) Number of Belgian(1) entry visas issued for this purpose.
- (iii) Degree of difficulty and delay placed by Bulgaria on applications for (a) exit and (b) entry visas to visit families: (1) great difficulty; (2) considerable difficulty; (3) moderate difficulty; (4) little difficulty; (5) no difficulty.
- (iv) Degree of difficulty and delay placed by Belgium on applications by Bulgarians for entry visas to visit families: (1) great difficulty; (2) considerable difficulty; (3) moderate difficulty; (4) little difficulty; (5) no difficulty.
- (v) 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.

(1) 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.

- (iii) Estimate of number of Bulgarian persons whose applications 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 in Bulgaria.
- (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.
- (vii) Degree of difficulty and delay placed by Belgium on Bulgarian applicants for visas and reunification with their families: {1} great difficulty; {2} considerable difficulty; {3} moderate difficulty; {4} little difficulty; {5} no difficulty.
- (viii) Cost of (a) emigration and (b) immigration documentation in Belgium.

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 (a) applications for marriages (b) exit/entry permits delayed for more than six months by the Bulgarian Authorities.
- (iv) Number of applications for entry permits into Belgium for Belgo-Bulgarian marriages; number granted.
- (v) Estimated number of exit/entry permits for Belgo-Bulgarian marriages delayed for more than six months by Belgium.
- (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.

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D. Travel

E. Tourism

- (i) Estimated number of (a) visas (b) tourist visas granted to Belgians by Bulgaria.
- (ii) Total number of applications for (a) visas (b) tourist visas for travel from Bulgaria to Belgium.
- (iii) Total number of (a) visas (b) tourist visas granted to Bulgarians by Belgium.
- (iv) Average length of time for issue of Bulgarian visas; cost of visas.
- (v) Average length of time of issue of Belgian visas; cost of visas.
- (vi) Average length of time for completing all Bulgarian **exit formalities**.
- (vii) Average length of time for completing all Belgian exit formalities.
- (viii) Cost of (a) Bulgarian (b) Belgian tourist passport.
- (ix) 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.
- (x) Has there been an improvement in Belgian performance in this field since the Helsinki Final Act: (1) much improvement; (2) moderate improvement; (3) little improvement; (4) no improvement; (5) worse.

II. INFORMATION

A. Printed Information

Eastern performance

- (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) Estimated number of Belgian books (fiction and non-fiction) available in Bulgaria in translated form.
- (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.

Western performance

- (i) Estimated number of Bulgarian newspapers and magazines in circulation in Belgium showing (a) number of titles (b) number of copies.
- (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) Estimated number of Bulgarian books (fiction and non-fiction) available in Belgium in translated form.
- (iv) Has there been an improvement 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

Eastern performance

- (i) Estimated number of Belgian (a) entertainment (b) non-entertainment (documentaries, cultural films, language films) films shown in Bulgaria: (1) commercially; (2) on television; (3) by special showings.
- (ii) Percentage of Belgian radio broadcasts jammed by Bulgaria.

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- (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.

Western performance

- (i) Estimated number of Bulgarian (a) entertainment (b) non-entertainment (documentaries, cultural films, language films) films shown in Belgium: (1) commercially; (2) on television; (3) by special showings.
- (ii) Number of broadcasts of Bulgarian programmes (except films) on Belgian television by (a) number of titles (b) number of showings.
- (iii) Has there been an improvement in this field since the Helsinki Final Act: (1) much improvement; (2) moderate improvement; (3) little improvement; (4) no improvement; (5) worse.

C. Journalists

Eastern performance

- (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.
- (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.

Western performance

- (i) Number of visas granted to Bulgarian journalists by Belgium (a) for permanent accreditation (b) for shorter visits.
- (ii) Estimated number of such visas refused.
- (iii) Estimated number of such visas delayed for more than six months.
- (iv) Number of Bulgarian journalists permanently accredited to Belgium.
- (v) Degree of improvement since the Helsinki Final Act on (a) access to Belgian 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.