

RADIO FREE EUROPE  
MUNICH

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REUR NYC 89 OF 15 MARCH 1967 REFERENCES ASSEMBLED AS OF 1400 HOURS  
TODAY FOLLOW:

EASTERN MEDIA:

RADIO WARSAW SAID AT 2000 HRS, SATURDAY, 18 MARCH, THAT  
"THE REAL FACE OF RADIO FREE EUROPE WAS UNMASKED BEFORE US PUBLIC  
OPINION IN AN EDITORIAL OF THE VERY INFLUENTIAL US PAPER 'WASHINGTON  
POST' YESTERDAY".

THE RADIO SAID THAT "CRITICIZING THE PRESENT SYSTEM OF FINANCING  
THIS MUNICH RADIO STATION, THE WASHINGTON POST WROTE THAT RFE IS  
A POLITICAL INSTITUTION OF THE C.I.A. BUT IT TRIES TO APPEAR AS  
A SOCIAL ORGANIZATION".

IT THEN QUOTED THE WASHINGTON POST AS SAYING THAT "THE RECENT  
REVELATIONS ABOUT THE ACTIVITY OF THE C.I.A. HAVE HELPED TO UNMASK  
FINALLY THE DIVERSIONIST CHARACTER OF THIS RADIO STATION".

IT ADDED THAT "THE MANEUVERS CARRIED OUT FOR SO MANY YEARS BY  
RFE GUARANTEED ITS SUPPORT BY US TREASURE, AND EASED THE COLLECTION  
OF FUNDS AMONG US CITIZENS."

WITHOUT DENYING THE PURPOSES OF THE EXISTENCE OF RFE, THE WASHING-  
TON POST DEMANDED, NEVERTHELESS, AS REALITY HAD BEEN UNMASKED TO PUT  
AN END TO THE 'FINANCIAL FRAUD' COMMITTED EVERY YEAR BY THIS SORT  
OF INSTITUTION OF THE C.I.A., THE RADIO CONCLUDED. (RADIO WARSAW  
DOMESTIC/M, MARCH 18, 1967, 2000)

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CORRECTION ABOVE: IN FOURTH PARA, FIRST LINE PLS MAKE IT READ:  
....CARRIED OUT FOR SO MANY YEARS ....ETC.

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THE SOFIA PARTY DAILY RABOTNICHESKO DELO OF 15 MARCH 1967 CARRIED  
THE FOLLOWING DISPATCH OF THE BTA CORRESPONDENT IN NEW YORK, HEAD-  
LINED: "WHO IS THE MASTER OF THE SLANDERERS OVER THE ETHER."  
THE FULL TEXT OF THE DISPATCH FOLLOWS:

ONE OF THE BIGGEST TV COMPANIES IN THE USA, 'COLUMBIA BROADCASTING,'  
ANNOUNCED YESTERDAY THAT IN FUTURE IT WILL NOT PROPAGANDIZE AMONG THE  
AMERICAN TV PUBLIC 'THE CAUSE OF RADIO FREE EUROPE,' BECAUSE, AS  
UNDERScoreD BY THE MANAGEMENT OF 'COLUMBIA,' 'THIS RADIO STATION  
REFUSES TO ANNOUNCE TO THE PUBLIC THAT IN REALITY IT IS FINANCED  
BY THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY. UNTIL NOW, THE WHOLE AMERICAN  
RADIO AND TV NETWORK BROADCASTS FREE OF CHARGE ADVERTISEMENTS OF  
'RADIO FREE EUROPE,' WHICH USUALLY CONTAIN MISLEADING, OR SIMPLY  
SLANDERous ASSERTIONS ABOUT THE PEOPLES AND THE CONDITIONS IN THE  
SOCIALIST COUNTRIES. THUS, IN ONE OF THE TV ADVERTISEMENTS WAS SHOWN  
A GROUP OF HUNGARIAN YOUTHS DISCUSSING IN THEIR OWN LANGUAGE THE  
RESULTS OF A SOCCER GAME. THE ACCOMPANYING TEXT LEAVES THE IMPRES-  
SION WITH THE AMERICAN PUBLIC THAT THEY...DISCUSS BROADCASTS OF  
'FREE EUROPE.' IN YESTERDAY'S (MARCH 13) TV PROGRAM OF 'COLUMBIA  
BROADCASTING' THE RADIO STATION IN MUNICH FINANCED BY THE AMERICAN  
INTELLIGENCE AGENCY, WITH THE INSCRIPTION ON IT SAYING THAT  
'AMERICAN CHARITY FINANCES RADIO FREE EUROPE,' WAS SHOWN, AMONG  
OTHERS. A MUNICH JOURNALIST, ON REQUEST OF 'COLUMBIA,' MAKES THE  
FOLLOWING COMMENT ABOUT THE QUOTED INSCRIPTION: 'IT IS TRUE  
THAT IT IS BEING FINANCED BY CHARITY, BUT MAINLY THAT OF THE  
CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY OF THE USA.'"

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WESTERN MEDIA:

THE FRANKFURTER ALLGEMEINE OF 20 MARCH, UNDER THE HEADLINE  
"FOUNTAIN FOR WRITERS ON EAST EUROPE," QUOTED IN FULL THE DEFENSE  
OF R.F.E. MADE BY "BAYERN-KURIER" ON 15 MARCH, WHICH WAS  
SUMMARIZED IN MUNICH 84 OF 15 MARCH AND SUBSEQUENTLY MAILED TO YOU.

THE RHEINISCHER MERKUR (KOELN) OF 17 MARCH CARRIED THE FOLLOWING:

"INTERFERENCE" -STATION?

"GERMAN HEADING "STOERSENDER" - JAMMING TRANSMITTER IS A PLAY  
ON WORDS NOT LITERALLY TRANSLATABLE).

"AN ANGRY 'MONITOR' BLAMED THE HOSPITALITY ENJOYING PRIVATE  
BROADCASTING STATION 'RADIO FREE EUROPE' FOR INTERFERING IN THE  
EAST-WEST DETENTE EFFORTS WITH ITS EAST EUROPEAN BROADCASTS AND FOR  
EVEN MEDDLING --MIND YOU-- IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF THE EAST  
EUROPEAN COUNTRIES. THIS, THEY SAY, ANNOYS THE GOVERNMENTS THERE,  
AND THE WHOLE THING IS NOTHING BUT A RELIC OF THE COLD WAR,  
ANYWAY. TRUE, RADIO FREE EUROPE'S PROGRAM HAS SURELY BEEN  
NAUSEATING TO SOME PEOPLE -- ESPECIALLY THE EXPELLEES CAN TELL  
A STORY ABOUT IT -- BUT ONLY 'MONITOR' COULD CALL ANTI-COMMUNIST  
BROADCASTS 'INTERFERENCE IN INTERNAL AFFAIRS'. SUCH REACTIONS HAVE SO  
FAR COME ONLY FROM COMMUNIST RULERS THEMSELVES. WHAT, INCIDENTALLY,  
WOULD THE 'MONITORS' SAY IF ONE WOULD CALL THEIR CONTRIBUTION  
'INTERFERENCE IN THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF RADIO FREE EUROPE'?"

THE COMMUNIST DAILY VOIX OUVRIERE (GENEVA) CARRIED THE FOLLOWING  
AS ITEM SIX IN A LIST OF INTERNATIONAL ITEMS HEADED "EN QUELQUES  
LIGNES:"

"RADIO EUROPE 'LIBRE'"

"FINANCEE PAR LA CIA"

"NEW YORK - LA CHAINE DE RADIO TELEVISION CBS (COLUMBIA BROAD-  
CASTING SYSTEM) A INDIQUE QU'ELLE AVAIT REFUSE D'ACCEPTER  
LES ANNONCES PUBLICITAIRES DE 'RADIO EUROPE LIBRE' PARCE QUE  
CES ANNONCES ETAIENT EN PARTIE PAYEES PAR LA CIA (SERVICES  
D'ESPIONNAGE AMERICAINS)."

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RADIO SUISSE ROMANDE CARRIED THE ORIGINAL STORY IN A NEWSCAST  
ON THE MORNING OF THE DAY THE AGENCIES BROKE IT (14 MARCH).

NON-MEDIA:

BILL MAHONEY, GENEVA BUREAU CHIEF, WRITES: "THE MONITOR SHOW WAS  
SEEN THROUGHOUT GERMAN SWITZERLAND. VIEWERS IN THIS AREA GENERALLY  
HAVE THE CHOICE OF THE SWISS OR GERMAN TV THROUGH LINE TRANSMISSION.

"FRIENDS OF OURS VISITED ON THE SATURDAY AFTER THE FRIDAY NITE  
SHOW. THEY APPARENTLY DIDN'T RECOGNIZE IT WAS AN ATTACK OR WERE TOO  
POLITE TO QUESTION ME ON IT.

"BUT EYE SAW BY THE PIECE IN DEFENSE OF US IN DIE WELT THAT  
IT ROUGHED US UP.

"BUT EYE'VE HAD NO REACTION TO THAT EITHER."

REGARDS,

END MSG