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Comments on the UKR. Memo of 29 April 1957

I have put some specific criticisms and questions in the margins. My conclusions are the following:

1. We are dealing with a group which is largely uncontrollable, at least financially. When we rewrote AERODYNAMIC, we tried to pare the project down. Instead, they are running some \$15,000 over their budget.
2. The more we speak of retrenchment, the more numerous and grandiose become their projects and suggestions.
3. The actual results in the last year have been very meager.
4. The "Prolog" Boys talk in the most incoherent fashion; at times they speak of a fairly loose following of 5,000 people; at other times about the 2½ million UKr. in emigration; at other times of the whole UKr. nation, inside USSR and abroad. -- When we talk about cutting down, we are threatened with disastrous results among millions of people. When we ask that they support themselves, they suddenly turn around and say they are only a few dozen active people. -- My impression is that we are faced either by a hoax or an illusion of grandeur -- probably a mixture of both.
5. Another point of inconsistency is that they keep talking about all or nothing. They seem to think that if one wants a car it is either a Cadillac or nothing. That is not very realistic. For instance, I could well imagine supporting, at least in part, one good political paper. They say it must be at least three or the world will come to ruins. This comes very near to common blackmail.
6. My proposal is the following:
  - a. We should agree to give support to one paper at around [     ] a year.
  - b. We should also extend the group a total subsidy of around [     ] a year. This would be used for a modest mailing campaign of some 600 bulletins every two months, around 3,600 a year. If any definite results of this campaign appear, we should give consideration to expanding it. -- It should also cover salaries of a reduced paid staff and miscellaneous minor operations.

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That would give a total of [ ] a year.

c. The question of radio broadcasts should be examined separately, in line with Baltic (AEPOLE, AEBASIN etc.) and [ ] programs. I see little reason to spend money on the Caucasus and the Baltics and refuse to do a similar job for the Ukraine. For this item one should consider a budget from [ ] In this case the grand total would be around [ ] for AERODYNAMIC which would be the same as for [ ]

d. The Prolog Associates would be told in no uncertain terms that this is all they would get for Fiscal Year 1958.

e. The future action would depend on a thorough study of the problem -- as proposed by [ ] and the results achieved during 1958. [ ]--

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