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**KDS Vice Chairman's Proposal for enlargement of S&T Intelligence staff,
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TO THE SECRETARY OF THE CC BCP

Comrade N. PAPAZOV

PROPOSAL

From Vice Chairman of State Security Committee (KDS) Mircho Spasov

Comrade Secretary,

In the past few years KDS Intelligence service made significant progress in the area of scientific-technical (S&T) intelligence.

Nevertheless, using the current cover abroad and in-country does not allow for the further expansion of activities in this area. At the same time, our country's scientific-technical relations are intensified creating new opportunities for employment to be utilized by the Intelligence Directorate in the most effective way.

The new opportunities to be used come to sending specialists to work abroad, sending post-graduate students, students, short-term business trips, making use of international organizations' grants, etc.

For this purpose, it is necessary to enlarge the Intelligence Directorate with 10 vacant positions for the specialists working abroad, without increasing the number of out-of-country positions since such positions will be rendered by our factories, commerce centers, foreign companies, international scholarships, etc.

In addition, drawing from the Soviet experience on the ratio between in-country and out-of-country staff numbers, it is necessary to increase the Directorate and the Center with 20 positions in order to create a pool for work abroad, for training at special schools and appointment of specialists under cover.

In the current situation the Intelligence Directorate is not capable of sending the required number of specialists under cover, and cannot assign any men to work with foreign specialists on our territory.

With a view to implement all possible forms for work in the area of scientific-technical intelligence, I request the Secretariat of the Central Committee of BCP to give its consent to increase the personnel number of the Intelligence Directorate at the State Security Committee (KDS) with the total of 30 officers and 2 sergeants.

29.07.1966

Vice Chairman:

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Sofia

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