

**Information on the results of Scientific and Technical Intelligence cooperation
between the Bulgarian and Soviet Foreign Intelligence services in 1976-1977,
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Reference: Cooperation between Department VII, PGU-DS and the Department for Scientific and Technical Intelligence, PGU-KGB from 1 January 1976 until 20 October 1977.

I. Exchange of scientific and technical information

The exchange of information between the scientific and technical intelligence services in the People's Republic of Bulgaria and the USSR continued effectively over the period. We have sent totally 1103 pieces of information to the Soviet comrades, including 668 articles from agent "Delon", which were directly submitted for use in the USSR.

The Department has sent 435 scientific and technical references, classified according to their level of confidentiality in the following way:

- For secret use – 117;
- For confidential use – 271;
- For official use – 47.

Until 20 October 1977, we received from the Soviet comrades the assessment for 314 references, which were distributed into the following categories:

- Extremely valuable – 8;

- Valuable – 82;
- Interesting information – 174;
- Not valuable – 50.

It should be taken into account that all materials, received through agent “Delon” and directly submitted to the USSR, were initially graded as “interesting information”. After a certain period of time, the value of some materials has increased. Additional 16 assessments were received during the same period, classified in this way:

- Extremely valuable – 6;
- Valuable – 10.

In addition to these materials, the Soviet comrades have received the bulletins, published by Department VII.

During the same period, we received from the Soviet comrades 326 scientific, technical and economic references, which fall into the categories:

- For secret use – 31;
- For confidential use – 52;
- For official use – 243.

In addition, 83 bulletins were received in Department VII, PGU-DS from the Scientific and Technical Intelligence Service – KGB.

Until 20 October 1977, Bulgarian users categorized 67 scientific and technical references as:

- Extremely valuable – 1;
- Valuable – 29;
- Interesting information – 33;
- Not valuable – 4.

Scientific and technical information on military issues has a special place in the information exchange with Soviet comrades. Therefore, we should note that most of the military tasks, included in the information plan of Department VII, were set by the USSR. In accordance with these tasks and by the initiative of the Department,

special instructions were issued at the beginning of 1976 to all residentures abroad to intensify their work to acquire military-technical and military-strategic information.

Between 1 January 1976 and 20 October 1977, we submitted 302 military-related scientific and technical references to the USSR, which constitute 27% of the total amount of information. The Soviet comrades grade this military-technical and military-strategic information as follows:

- Extremely valuable – 1;
- Valuable – 24;
- Interesting information – 41;
- Not valuable – 15;
- Not graded – 10.

The total number of scientific and technical references on military issues includes 211 articles from agent “Delon”, initially rated as “interesting information”.

II. Operational cooperation

Cooperation with Soviet comrades on the penetration into specific targets has continued over the reported period. Exchange of information regarding the targets has become routine practice. Based on our and Soviet data, information was summarized and later sent to residentures abroad together with plans for future work.

In coordination with the Scientific and Technical Intelligence – KGB, Department VII is working on 26 targets for agent penetration, distributed among countries as follows: USA – 4, England – 4, Japan – 3, FRG – 4, France – 4, Italy – 4, Austria – 3.

Exchange of information proceeds with regard to: individuals, subject of interest to the Scientific and Technical Intelligence; documentation on strains and samples, owned by us or such that could be acquired with the help of our agents; forthcoming symposia, conferences and meetings on scientific and technical topics, etc.

There are ongoing consultations with Soviet comrades on setting specific tasks and gathering information on our agents and collaborators, like agent “Beld”, agent “Conrad”, informer “Brom”, agent “Cooper”, agent “Akum”, agent “Venus”, secret collaborators “Neta” and “Yavor”, etc.. We shall mention here the effective operational cooperation on Soviet agents “Maya” and informer “Mozart”.

Close interaction with Scientific and Technical Intelligence – KGB to coordinate operational annual plans continued in 1976 and 1977.

The effective cooperation between the Scientific and Technical Intelligence Services of the two countries was proven by a letter of appreciation from the Soviet comrades to Comrade Minister [of the Interior], as well as by the distinguished awards for the staff in Department VII.

III. Suggestions

We believe that our cooperation with KGB shall develop in the future years in the following directions:

1. To sustain effective exchange of information on agent penetration.
2. To increase the quantity and quality of scientific-technical information, sent to the USSR, especially on military-technical and military-strategic topics.
3. To intensify the exchange of information on certain individuals, who are subjects of interest to the Scientific and Technical Intelligence Services of the two countries.

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