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SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

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A majority of the surveys cover a range of respondents consisting of residents of the Federal Republic of Germany (FRG) as well as the U.S., UK, and French occupation zones, plus West Berlin and the city of Bremen, which the United States had secured as part of the American zone in order to have a port city. A large number of reports, however, use selected respondent pools such as union workers, German Democratic Republic (GDR) residents, West Berlin residents, East Berlin residents, youth, residents of selected major West German cities, and persons attending conventions or exhibits such as the Berlin Industrial Fair or “Green Week.” The interviews typically were conducted in the homes of the respondents by trained German interviewers under the direction of American field supervisors.

Most of the individual reports in the collection follow a standard format, with an introduction and listing of highlights followed by topical sections consisting of narrative interpretations of findings, listings of individual responses to survey questions, and detailed statistical tables. The detailed tables usually present a standard set of breakdowns of responses by age, sex, education, income, respondent leadership position, socioeconomic class, political party preference, occupational group (including housewives, pensioners, and students), religious affiliation, citizenship (natives versus refugees or expellees), size of community of residence, and states (Laender).

The sections listing individual responses provide absorbing glimpses into the variety of moods, perceptions, and values of Germans, both West and East. One GDR resident, for example, when asked about changes in living conditions in East Germany, noted that “we no longer worry so much about our shops being confiscated,” implying an improvement in the climate for small shop-owners.

The following sections describe the major topics covered by the opinion surveys.

Postwar Occupation by the Four Powers

One of HICOG’s primary goals for its public opinion program was the identification and monitoring of the FRG population’s attitudes toward the occupation by the Four Powers. HICOG surveys measure the feelings of people in the U.S. occupation zone as well as those of France and the United Kingdom.
on the need for continued occupation by the Western Powers, the eventual withdrawal of forces, the restoration of German sovereignty over its territory, and the policies of occupation authorities, such as the breakup of German industrial monopolies and the promotion of democratic institutions in the FRG. A large body of material covers views on the “contractual agreement” between the Western Powers and FRG, which granted greater independence to West Germany.

Interesting documents reveal FRG residents’ appraisals of the respective occupation forces of the United Kingdom, France, and the United States. Of special interest are German appraisals of U.S. occupation troops, covering the soldiers’ fighting abilities compared to those of Soviet and German soldiers, the on- and off-duty behavior of troops, and their relations to FRG civilians, including their involvement with German women. A number of reports examine German opinion on the contribution to the housing shortage in West Germany caused by the requisitioning of homes for U.S. families.

Foreign Relations and the East-West Struggle

The residents of postwar West Germany and West Berlin had strong and sometimes shifting feelings on the struggle between East and West in which they found themselves at the center. Not surprisingly, HICOG regularly conducted surveys to gauge German opinions on the various important cold war questions related to the competition between the Western Powers and the FRG, on the one hand, and the USSR and the GDR, on the other.

These questions included the overall balance of power between East and West, the Communist attempt to intimidate West Berlin, the prospects of a new Berlin blockade, the commitment of the Western allies to the defense of West Germany and Western Europe, the perceived ability of NATO to halt a USSR-led invasion, and the neutrality of Germany versus FRG alignment with the West and GDR alignment with the Communist bloc. A question of paramount importance both to HICOG and Germans was the rearmament of West Germany, either with the reestablishment of a national army or with FRG participation in a proposed European Defense Force (EDF). This force was effectively vetoed by repeated French postponements in the early 1950s, but major agreements in London and Paris in 1954 restored FRG sovereignty (with certain restrictions) and permitted the country to join NATO in 1955. A majority of survey respondents typically endorsed FRG sovereignty, the end of military occupation, and the full participation of West Germany in both the security and economic growth of Western Europe.

Surveys consistently assessed German views on other important foreign affairs issues, including the dispute and eventual agreement between France and Germany over the Saar region, the implications of the Korean War for the East-West struggle, the 1956 Hungarian uprising and the crushing of it by Soviet forces, the later executions in the Soviet Union of uprising leaders Imre Nagy and Pal Malter, the Suez Crisis and NATO’s response, the leadership and policies of U.S. President Dwight D. Eisenhower, and the specter of nuclear war. Surveys variously sought German opinions on the likelihood of nuclear war or world war, as well as atomic testing by the United States and the Soviet Union and proposals to cease nuclear tests. Finally, Germans were asked whether U.S. nuclear weapons should be sited in FRG territory, as well as whether FRG armed
forces should possess nuclear weapons. To each question, the answer of a large majority of respondents was no.

An issue that generated strong feelings among Germans was that of the resettlement in the FRG of “expellees.” These were ethnic Germans who had been removed from former German territories east of the so-called Oder-Neisse line that had been occupied by USSR forces at the end of World War II. Opinions on this issue were typically divided.

In January 1957, one of the more interesting individual surveys—one that has relevance to current world conflicts—asked respondents for their reactions to an Eisenhower address on U.S. involvement in the Middle East crisis in the Suez. The HICOG authors report that “the one point in the speech that is most disliked is the possibility that the U.S. might in an emergency employ military intervention in the Middle East without the consent of the UN” (Reel 11, Frame 0343).

**East Germany and East Berlin**

HICOG regularly conducted surveys to gauge the sentiments of residents of East Berlin and East Germany. The documents that present the results are among the most interesting in the collection. The surveys elicited the views of the populations of the GDR and East Berlin on issues, including shortages of food and consumer products, Communist agricultural policies, Communist suppression of civil liberties and private ownership, and the GDR riots of June 1953. The individual responses reproduced in several reports suggest that, if it accomplished nothing else, the 1953 uprising boosted morale and fortitude and gave people a much-needed outlet for venting their grievances against the GDR regime. Nevertheless, the repressive power of the GDR police state was always evident. One survey of GDR school pupils found that only 10 percent of the children reported that they ever voiced disagreement with their teachers on political questions.

A significant body of material covers radio listening, with special focus on the size of the audience for U.S.-sponsored RIAS (Radio in the American Sector) and VOA (Voice of America). Not surprisingly, the surveys typically find that many respondents report difficulties in receiving RIAS and VOA signals because of Communist jamming.

Another set of surveys elicited the views of young East Germans and East Berliners. The young population appears to have placed far more credibility in the statements of FRG and Western spokespersons than they did in the claims and promises of GDR officials and the Communist-dominated Socialist Unity Party (SED). A significant finding of the surveys was that in early 1951, East German residents, by a two-to-one margin, opposed any agreement by the Western powers to a Four Power withdrawal from Germany. HICOG authors attribute this view to the belief that “such a course would ultimately redound to the benefit of the Russians and leave the Germans worse off than ever.”

Finally, some surveys examined the feelings of FRG residents on the emigration of GDR refugees to West Germany before the Berlin Wall was built, as well as the attitudes of the refugees, including their reasons for leaving the GDR.

**German Politics**

HICOG wished to keep abreast of German opinion on domestic politics, and especially to estimate the degree to which pro-Nazi sentiment remained alive, or
might be reemerging, in the FRG. Surveys sought to measure approval of neo-Nazism and related right-wing activities, such as those of the Sozialistische Reichs Partei (SRP), with an apparent particular interest in the original Nazi stronghold of Bavaria. Anti-Semitic sentiments and actions received careful study, with divided opinions among respondents. Many respondents revealed a certain defensiveness about this issue in their individual comments, with some stating that anti-Semitism was no more prevalent in Germany than in other European countries or the United States. Other surveys covered West German views on the major political parties, as well as the performance of the Bonn government and Chancellor Konrad Adenauer, with the chancellor receiving majority approval over a period of many years.

**German Unification**

The issue on which the most overwhelming majorities of Germans, both West and East, agreed was the reunification of Germany. As an indication of how dearly the FRG population desired a united country, one survey measuring reactions to a visit by GDR Communist delegates to the Bundestag in Bonn found that respondents approved the visit by a six-to-one majority. The respondents also approved direct FRG-GDR reunification negotiations by a heavy majority, even under a condition in which the GDR negotiating delegates were Soviet “pawns” and not the product of free elections (Reel 5, Frame 0201). Additionally, the majority of West Germans favored the inclusion of reunification as a primary agenda item for proposed Four Power conferences and East-West summit meetings. Interestingly, one report concluded that “the preponderant opinion in urban FRG is that West [German] democratic elements would be likely to exert a stronger influence than Communism in any unified government. However much West Germans fear Russia and Communism, they don’t fear East Germans, and think well of their chances of exerting a stronger influence in any unified setup” (Reel 2, Frame 0083).

In many surveys, HICOG researchers asked FRG respondents about the conditions that they would either demand or accept to achieve reunification, especially in the context of a Soviet proposal for a neutral unified Germany. Typically, the West Germans expressed a demand for free elections, as well as adamant opposition to a relinquishment of German claims to former German territories east of the Oder-Neisse line that had become part of Poland after the Red Army occupied them near the end of World War II, and U.S. President Franklin D. Roosevelt and UK Prime Minister Winston Churchill effectively ceded them to Soviet leader Joseph Stalin at Yalta.

**U.S. Programs and Cultural Relations**

HICOG and USIS conducted continuous programs in the FRG and West Berlin to spread the U.S. message of prosperity through freedom and democracy. These programs included, most prominently, radio programs on VOA and RIAS, through USIS films with pro-Western themes, through exhibits at the Marshall Haus and other venues, through the popular bookmobile program, and through the highly successful U.S.-FRG cultural exchange program, which sent thousands of Germans to the United States for extended visits.

One gets the impression from reading individual comments that many Germans, when asked for their views on U.S. films and publications, were left rather cold by the messages of these products: not because they disagreed with
the messages, but because they found the presentation of these products unimpressive, unartistic, or too obvious. This squares with the prevalent view among West Germans that the United States was inferior to Germany in its cultural achievements, especially literature and music. HICOG writers occasionally refer to these attitudes as manifestations of the “German superiority complex.”

Germans did, however, give predominantly favorable reviews of U.S. exhibits at the Marshall Haus and other venues, which showed off U.S. innovations and superiority in business and industry, consumer goods, and science and technology, especially in the areas of space and the peaceful use of atomic energy. As one German returnee from a cultural exchange visit to the United States said, “[It is] unbelievable how Hitler could ever believe that he would be able to stand up against a country with such an economic structure.”

As for their views on Americans in general, Germans repeatedly voiced concerns about U.S. racial discrimination. At different times, substantial minorities of respondents characterized Americans as meddlers in other countries’ affairs, as greedy, or as undisciplined, loud, or rude. On the other hand, FRG residents often reported that they liked Americans’ friendliness, generosity, optimism, helpfulness, and independence, among other things. As one German said, “The average American is good company” (Reel 7, Frame 0342).
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# ABBREVIATIONS

The following abbreviations are used throughout this guide.

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<td>Nordwestdeutscher Rundfunk (Northwest German Radio)</td>
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<td>RIAS</td>
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0001 Index to German Opinion Survey Reports, March 1, 1946–November 2, 1955.
   Major Topic: Listings of reports in reverse chronological order.

0031 Index to German Opinion Survey Reports, March 1, 1946–July 10, 1956.
   Major Topic: Listings of reports in reverse chronological order.

0056 Index to German Opinion Survey Reports, January 18, 1954–May 8, 1958.
   Major Topic: Listings of reports in reverse chronological order.

0063 HICOG 1 [The State of German Nationalism following the Founding of the West German Republic, December 3, 1949].
   Major Topics: Nationalism; U.S. troops and Americans in general; superiority/inferiority of races, creeds, or nationalities; World War II; foreign control of Ruhr resources and industry (Ruhr Statute); militarism.

   Major Topic: U.S. periodicals, including Amerikanische Rundschau, Der Monat, Heute, Neue Auslese, and Reader’s Digest.

0127 HICOG 3 [West German Republic vs East German Government, January 18, 1950].
   Major Topics: FRG versus GDR government; Bonn as FRG capital; Berlin inclusion in FRG.

0144 HICOG 4 [RIAS and Its Listenership in Western Berlin, February 8, 1950].
   Major Topic: RIAS audience and programming compared to other radio stations in Berlin.
0150 HICOG 5 [West Berliners Appraise Present Economic & Political Situation, February 20, 1950].
Major Topics: West Berlin economic and political conditions; Marshall Plan aid; new blockade prospects; Soviet takeover threat.

0171 HICOG 6 [The German Public Views the Conduct of the U.S. Occupation Forces, March 6, 1950].
Major Topic: U.S. occupation troops’ conduct.

0182 HICOG 7 [The German Public Views the CARE Organization, March 6, 1950].
Major Topic: CARE packages distribution.

0190 HICOG 8 [Reactions Toward the Wuerttemberg-Baden Denazification Affair, March 17, 1950].
Major Topic: Denazification scandal involving Heinz May and August Maier.

0197 HICOG 9 [German Attitudes Toward an Army and Military Training, March 17, 1950].
Major Topics: FRG army establishment; military training value.

0209 HICOG 10 [Germans View the U.S. Reorientation Program, Extent of the Receptivity to American Ideas, March 30, 1950].
Major Topics: U.S. “reorientation” program in FRG; things Germans can learn from Americans, and vice versa.

0225 HICOG 11 [Germans View the U.S. Reorientation Program, Reactions to American Democratization Efforts, March 30, 1950].
Major Topics: U.S. “reorientation” program in FRG; U.S. democratization efforts.

0239 HICOG 12 [Germans View the U.S. Reorientation Program, Opinions on the Cultural Exchange Program, March 30, 1950].
Major Topics: U.S. “reorientation” program in FRG; U.S.-FRG cultural exchanges.

0246 HICOG 13 [The Implications of the H-bomb in the East-West Struggle, April 1, 1950].

0257 HICOG 14 [Readership of Heute and Other Illustrated Periodicals, April 4, 1950].
Major Topic: Periodicals readership.

0271 HICOG 15 [The German Public Assays Political Democracy, April 24, 1950].
Major Topic: Democratic government conception and desirability.

0282 HICOG 16 [Reactions and Recommendations of West Berliners in the Face of Prospective Whitsuntide March, April 28, 1950].
Major Topic: Whitsuntide March on Berlin by GDR youth organization FDJ.

0309 HICOG 17 [Attitudes of Students at Erlangen and Munich Universities, April 30, 1950].
Major Topic: University students views on politics, German military, Nazism, FRG and GDR governments, Bavarian government, German unification, U.S. aid, and Western European union.
0334  HICOG 18 [West Germans View the East-West Struggle, General Evaluations and Extent of Allegiance to the West, August 1950].  Major Topics: Publication Trends in German Public Opinion 1946 thru 1949; political conditions; economic affairs; U.S. aid, including Marshall Plan; FRG and GDR governments; German unification; foreign affairs, including West European union; ethnic Germans expelled from Eastern Europe after World War II; mass media readership and audience.

0399  HICOG 19 [West Germans View the East-West Struggle, Trends and Current Attitudes on Withdrawal of the Occupying Powers, May 19, 1950].  Major Topics: East-West balance of power; FRG alignment or neutrality; Communist strength in Germany

0426  HICOG 19 [West Germans View the East-West Struggle, Trends and Current Attitudes on Withdrawal of the Occupying Powers, May 22, 1950].  Major Topics: Withdrawal of four occupying powers; UK; France; USSR; need for continued occupation by Western Powers in FRG and Berlin.

0437  HICOG 20 [West Germans View the East-West Struggle, Defense of West Germany, May 25, 1950].  Major Topics: FRG defense and Atlantic Pact participation; army establishment; USSR reaction to FRG rearmament; GDR police.


0466  HICOG 22 [The Problem of Unemployment in Western Germany, German Appraisal of Its Causes and Consequences, June 5, 1950].  Major Topic: FRG unemployment problem, social and political impacts, and government policies.


0506  HICOG 23-S [Reactions of a Munich Movie Audience to an Animated Film Based on the “Races of Mankind,” June 14, 1950].  Major Topic: Munich audience reaction to film Races of Mankind.


0568  HICOG 26 [Trends and Current Attitudes Regarding the VOA Broadcasts, July 26, 1950].
Major Topic: VOA broadcasts.

0581  HICOG 27 [Trend in German Opinions on Socialization of Industry, July 27, 1950].
Major Topics: Industry socialization or nationalization; effects on unemployment.

0590  HICOG 28 [Trends in Opinion on the West German Federal Republic, July 31, 1950].
Major Topic: FRG government and FRG Chancellor Konrad Adenauer performance.

0606  HICOG 28-S [Rumors in West Germany Following the Korean Outbreak, July 31, 1950].
Major Topics: Korean conflict impacts on German food shortages; USSR troop buildup in GDR; U.S. troop buildup in FRG; U.S. families’ departure from Germany and possible East-West war.

0615  HICOG 28-S2 [Some Further Details on Post-Korean Rumors, August 3, 1950].
Major Topics: Korean conflict impact on USSR troop buildup in GDR; U.S. troop buildup in FRG and possible East-West war.

0620  HICOG 29 [German Reactions to the American-Sponsored Newsreel “Welt im Film,” August 4, 1950].
Major Topic: HICOG newsreel Welt im Film (World in Film).

0626  HICOG 30 [Have the Western Occupying Powers Furthered or Hindered German Reconstruction? August 8, 1950].
Major Topics: Western occupying powers efforts to reconstruct West Germany; British and French hindrance of reconstruction.

0639  HICOG 31 [Trends in Awareness and Patronage of the U.S. Information Centers in the U.S. Zone, West Berlin and Bremen, August 8, 1950].
Major Topic: Amerika Haus (U.S. information centers) awareness and patronage.

0648  HICOG 32 [Germans View the Korean Outbreak, Urban Trends in U.S. Occupied Areas, August 14, 1950].
Major Topics: Korean conflict views of urban residents; likelihood of “another Korea” in Germany; Western defense commitment to Europe.

0664  HICOG 33 [Germans View the Korean Outbreak, Urban Opinions in Western Germany, August 23, 1950].
Major Topics: Korean conflict views of urban residents; likelihood of “another Korea” in Germany; Western defense commitment to Europe.

0678  HICOG 34 [A Summary of Trends in Radio Listening in West Berlin, August 28, 1950].
Major Topic: West Berlin radio listening, including RIAS and Soviet-controlled Radio Berlin.
0684 HICOG 34-S [Further Study of Post-Korean Rumors in Germany, August 29, 1950].
Major Topics: Rumors about Korean conflict and impacts on German food shortages; East-West tensions in Berlin and possible East-West war.

0693 HICOG 35 [Observers Evaluate Effectiveness of Communist Press in West Germany, September 8, 1950].
Major Topics: Communist press audience and effectiveness in West Germany; Communist press prohibition.

0715 HICOG 36 [The Question of Remilitarization in Western Germany, September 15, 1950].
Major Topics: FRG remilitarization; army establishment within the framework of a Western European defense force.

0729 HICOG 37 [Germans View the Korean Outbreak, Overall Opinions and Group Differences in the U.S. Occupied Areas, September 28, 1950].
Major Topics: Korean conflict causes; UN support of U.S. forces; news reporting; Communist goals; Western defense of Europe.

0758 HICOG 38 [German Youth View the American Program, Some General Evaluations, October 9, 1950].
Major Topics: Youth views on U.S. programs, including cultural exchanges, information centers (Amerika Haus), documentary films, and periodicals; unemployment as most serious youth problem; Nazi labor programs.

0781 HICOG 39 [The Effectiveness of the ERP Information Program in Western Germany, October 12, 1950].
Major Topics: Marshall Plan awareness, information programs, aid as gift or loan, and helpfulness in German reconstruction.

0807 HICOG 40 [German Youth View the American Program, American Reorientation Efforts, October 23, 1950].
Major Topics: Youth views on U.S. “reorientation” program in FRG; U.S. democratization efforts; things Germans can learn from Americans, including U.S. social welfare and politics, as well as in areas such as arts, culture, science, and industry.

0846 HICOG 41 [German Youth View the American Program, the VOA and General Radio Listening among Youth, October 23, 1950].
Major Topic: Youth radio listening, including VOA broadcasts.

0860 HICOG 43 [German Youth View the American Program, Audiences of U.S. Overt Magazines and U.S. Documentary Film Program, October 25, 1950].
Major Topics: Youth readership of U.S. periodicals, including Amerikanische Rundschau, Der Monat, and Heute; youth viewing of U.S.-produced documentary films.

0870 HICOG 44 [German Youth View the American Program, The German-American Exchange Program, October 30, 1950].
Major Topic: Youth views on U.S.-German exchange program.
0880  HICOG 42 [German Youth View the American Program, Awareness and Patronage of Amerika Hauser among Youth, October 25, 1950].
    Major Topic: Youth awareness and patronage of U.S. information centers (Amerika Haus) in the American Zone, West Berlin, and Bremen.

0888  HICOG 45 [Trend in Opinions on West German Remilitarization, October 31, 1950].
    Major Topics: FRG remilitarization; army establishment within the framework of a Western European defense force.

0898  HICOG 46 [Germans View the Remilitarization Issue, Urban Opinions in Western Germany, November 10, 1950].
    Major Topics: Urban residents' views on FRG remilitarization; army establishment within the framework of a Western European defense force.

0917  HICOG 47 [Germans View the Remilitarization Issue, Further Findings and Some Limitations on Majority Approval, November 18, 1950].
    Major Topics: Urban residents' views on FRG remilitarization; army establishment within the framework of a Western European defense force; Korean conflict parallels to divided Germany.

0942  HICOG 48 [An Analysis of Possible Determinants of Opposition to German Participation in the Defense of Europe, November 22, 1950].
    Major Topic: Opposition to German participation in Western European defense force.

0957  HICOG 49 [A Test of Reader Reactions to Third Reich and Defeatist Articles, November 27, 1950].
    Major Topic: Magazine articles on Nazi leaders and opposition to German involvement in East-West struggle.

0986  HICOG 50 [German Youth View the American Program, Acceptance of Democratic Responsibility and Related Political Issues, November 30, 1950].
    Major Topic: Youth views on political affairs, including personal participation and confidence in German capacity for democratic government.

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0001  HICOG 51 [Germans View the Remilitarization Issue, Pre-Election Trend and Further Findings, December 1, 1950].
    Major Topics: FRG remilitarization; European defense participation; French-German relations; Four-Power conference on German problems; U.S. congressional elections; plebiscite on FRG rearmament.

    Major Topics: FRG remilitarization; European defense participation by FRG; FRG neutrality.
HICOG 53 [Germans View the Remilitarization Issue, Reactions to Korean Reverses and Associated Issues, December 14, 1950].

*Major Topics:* FRG remilitarization; European defense participation; Korean conflict; UN support of U.S. forces; Western Powers commitment to defend Europe.

HICOG 54 [German Youth View the Folk High School System, December 21, 1950].

*Major Topics:* Youth attendance at Folk High Schools (Volkshochschule); reasons for nonattendance.

HICOG 55 [Germans View the Remilitarization Issue, Year-End Developments and the Present Status of Neutralism, December 28, 1950].

*Major Topics:* USSR-backed proposal of “neutral” united Germany versus FRG alignment with the West; U.S. commitment to defend FRG and Western Europe; European defense participation by FRG; GDR Prime Minister Otto Grotewohl proposal of FRG-GDR unification negotiations.

HICOG 56 [West German Opinions on Political Parties and Election Issues, December 29, 1950].

*Major Topics:* Political parties’ positions on defense versus social and economic policies; voter reasons for choices in recent Landtag elections; SPD; CDU; preferred party composition of possible new Bundestag.

HICOG 57 [Germans View the Remilitarization Issue, Has Western Policy Changed on German Militarism? With Present-Day Attitudes on Nuremburg, January 12, 1951].

*Major Topics:* FRG remilitarization; European defense participation; resurgent Nazism; Nuremberg trials.

HICOG 58 [Germans View the Remilitarization Issue, Further Trends on Neutralism, Defense Participation and Associated Issues, January 18, 1951].

*Major Topics:* German unification and neutrality; European defense participation by FRG; Dwight D. Eisenhower appointment as Supreme Allied Commander in Europe; Western defense strength; U.S. commitment to defend FRG and Western Europe; GDR Prime Minister Otto Grotewohl proposal of FRG-GDR unification negotiations.

HICOG 59 [Public Appraisal of Effectiveness of Communist Activity in West Germany, January 25, 1951].

*Major Topics:* Communist activity in West and East Germany and Berlin; KPD; SED.

HICOG 60 [New Light on German Neutrality Sentiments, with Other Current Developments on Issues Related to German Defense Participation, January 31, 1951].

*Major Topics:* European defense participation by FRG; Dwight D. Eisenhower appointment as Supreme Allied Commander in Europe; U.S. commitment to defend FRG and Western Europe; GDR Prime Minister Otto Grotewohl proposal of FRG-GDR unification negotiations.
   Major Topics: European defense participation by FRG; voluntary military service versus draft; German unification and neutrality; Dwight D. Eisenhower appointment as Supreme Allied Commander in Europe; U.S. commitment to defend Western Europe; U.S. policy toward China; Four-Power conference on German problems; Korea conflict.

0353  HICOG 62 [Franco-German Relations as Viewed by Residents of the U.S. Zone, Berlin and Bremen, February 28, 1951].
   Major Topic: French-German relations and European defense participation by FRG.

0369  HICOG 63-S [Attitudes behind the Iron Curtain, A Survey Approach to East German Thinking, General Mood and Resistance Sentiments, March 9, 1951].
   Major Topic: East German and East Berlin views on living conditions, social welfare, morale, and relative strength of East and West.

0393  HICOG 63 [West German Reactions to the Landsberg Decisions, March 6, 1951].
   Major Topics: Landsberg decision modifying sentences of Nazi war criminals; overturning of sentence of German industrialist Alfred Krupp.

0416  HICOG 64 [German Attitudes on the Eve of Paris Deputies Conference, March 14, 1951].
   Major Topics: Paris conference of deputy foreign ministers to negotiate Four-Power conference on Germany; FRG remilitarization; European defense participation by FRG; German unification and neutrality; Four-Power conference on German problems; GDR Prime Minister Otto Grotewohl proposal of FRG-GDR unification negotiations.

0448  HICOG 65 [Frankfurt School Children React to the Booklet “Eight Great Americans,” March 14, 1951].
   Major Topics: Frankfurt school children reactions to U.S. illustrated booklet Eight Great Americans (Acht Grosse Amerikaner); wish to read more books in this format about United States and Germany.

0474  HICOG 66 [Ruhr Miners Specify Their Housing Wants, March 20, 1951].
   Major Topics: Ruhr miners’ housing preferences for Marshall Plan project.

0489  HICOG 67 [Survey Studies among German Opinion Leaders, German Burgermeisters Evaluate the Landsberg Decisions, March 21, 1951].
   Major Topic: Local officials (Burgermeister) views on Landsberg decision modifying sentences of Nazi war criminals.

0512  HICOG 68 [Survey Studies among German Opinion Leaders, A Note on Burgermeisters’ Reactions to a Four-Power Conference, March 22, 1951].
   Major Topic: Views of local officials (Burgermeister) on most pressing FRG problems and on Four-Power conference on German problems.
0521  HICOG 69 [The West German People View Defense Participation, Neutrality and Related Issues, Introducing the New Full-Scale Sample of West German Opinion, March 29, 1951].

Major Topics: Full-scale sample of FRG at all community-size categories; sample results on opinions about European defense participation by FRG, German unification and neutrality, and Four-Power conference on German problems.

0547  HICOG 70 [Some Further Findings on West German Reactions to the Landsberg Decisions, March 30, 1951].

Major Topic: Landsberg decision modifying sentences of Nazi war criminals.

0559  HICOG 70-S [A Note on the Communist Projected Plebiscite on West German Defense Participation, April 2, 1951].

Major Topic: Plebiscite on European defense participation by FRG.

0564  HICOG 71 [West German Reactions to the Schuman Plan, April 5, 1951].

Major Topic: French foreign minister Robert Schuman proposal to pool heavy industries of France, FRG, and other Western European nations.

0583  HICOG 71-S [Attitudes behind the Iron Curtain, A Survey Approach to East German Thinking, Current Views on Unity, Neutrality and Related Issues, April 10, 1951].

Major Topics: East German and East Berlin views on German unification and neutrality; Four-Power conference on German problems; GDR Prime Minister Otto Grotewohl proposal of FRG-GDR unification negotiations; USSR proposal for Four-Power withdrawal from Germany.

0619  HICOG 72 [West German Reaction to Increased Occupation Costs, April 12, 1951].

Major Topic: Occupation costs of FRG.

0636  HICOG 73 [Do Germans Want a Single Youth Organization in West Germany? April 13, 1951].

Major Topic: Single youth organization establishment in West Germany.

0646  HICOG 74 [West German Views on Two Current Issues: The Proposed Four-Power Conference and the Revised Occupation Statute, April 16, 1951].

Major Topics: Four-Power conference on German problems; revised occupation policies on breakup of German monopolies.

0659  HICOG 75 [German Reactions to Three Current Economic Issues: Co-Determination, Decartelization and Freedom of Enterprise, April 18, 1951].

Major Topics: Economic issues, including worker-employer equality ("co-determination") in industry management decisions, dissolution of industry cartels, and requirement to obtain certification before setting up business.

0684  HICOG 76 [Continuing Trends in Awareness and Patronage of the Amerika Hauseser in the U.S. Zone, April 24, 1951].

Major Topic: Amerika Haus (U.S. information centers) awareness and patronage.
0694  HICOG 77 [Initial Reactions of Urban West Germans to the Recall of General MacArthur, April 14, 1951].

0708  HICOG 78 [U.S. Zone Germans View the Kreis Resident Officer, May 14, 1951].
      Major Topic: Kreis Resident Officers (HICOG personnel providing grass roots advice and services to FRG residents).

0734  HICOG 79 [Attitudes behind the Iron Curtain, A Survey Approach to East German Thinking, A Preliminary Exploration of Attitudes among East Zone Male Youths, May 17, 1951].
      Major Topic: East German youth views on GDR living conditions overall, West Berlin conditions, comparative welfare of youth in FRG and GDR, and GDR educational and religious opportunities.

0796  HICOG 80 [Current Trends on Defense Related Participation, with West German Reactions to the Communist Remilitarization “Plebiscite,” May 28, 1951].
      Major Topic: Plebiscite on FRG rearmament.

0809  HICOG 81 [Effectiveness of Recent Information Efforts on the Schuman Plan, May 30, 1951].
      Major Topic: French foreign minister Robert Schuman proposal to pool heavy industries of France, the FRG, and other Western European nations.

0830  HICOG 82 [Does East or West Really Want a Four-Power Conference? The German View, May 31, 1951].
      Major Topic: Four-Power conference on German problems.

0845  HICOG 83 [The Present State of West German Confidence in the West, with Reactions to General MacArthur’s Recall, June 12, 1951].
      Major Topics: U.S. General Douglas MacArthur dismissal from command of UN forces in Korea; U.S. commitment to defend the FRG and Western Europe.

0877  HICOG 84 [Guns or Butter? West German Opinions on the Use of Marshall Plan Funds, June 14, 1951].

0888  HICOG 85 [The Impact of the Europa Train, A Preliminary Study of Mainz Audiences, June 15, 1951].
      Major Topic: Europa Train traveling exhibit on unified Europe.

0903  HICOG 86 [The East-West Trade Issue as Viewed by West German People, June 21, 1951].
      Major Topic: Trade relations between FRG and GDR.

0917  HICOG 87 [West Germans View the Socialist Reich Party, June 29, 1951].
      Major Topics: SRP goals, influence, and National Socialist revanchist tendencies; Nazism; denazification.
0962 HICOG 88 [Current Thinking on West German Defense Participation, July 6, 1951].

Major Topics: European defense participation by FRG; Bonn agreement on FRG participation; military recruitment including draft; FRG neutralism; reliability of specific Western European countries and U.S. in defense matters.

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0001 HICOG 89 [July 13, 1951].

Major Topic: Suit against German attorney Hans Kemritz for turning over Germans to USSR forces during early part of occupation.

0025 HICOG 90 [July 25, 1951].

Major Topics: East German residents’ radio listening with station preferences, including RIAS, news program preferences, and political programs in Western and Eastern zones; VOA.

0085 HICOG 91 [August 6, 1951].

Major Topics: USSR-U.S. relative strength and likelihood to use atomic weapons; UN ability to prevent world war; FRG government performance.

0116 HICOG 92 [West German Reactions to the Korean Armistice Negotiations, August 20, 1951].

Major Topics: Korean armistice negotiations; Communist versus Western gains from conflict.

0154 HICOG 92-S [A Note on West German Reactions to the Ending of the State of War, August 23, 1951].

Major Topic: Allied decision to end state of war with Germany.

0161 HICOG 93 [West German Reactions to the Projected American-Spanish Military and Economic Pact, August 24, 1951].

Major Topic: U.S.-Spain military and economic relations agreement.

0177 HICOG 94 [The Views of West Germans on the Defense of Europe, Further Trends on Participation in the Western Defense System and Related Issues, August 27, 1951].

Major Topics: European defense participation by FRG; Korean armistice implications for European security; U.S. commitment to FRG and Western European defense.

0207 HICOG 95 [Germans View the Voice of America, The Extent and Characteristics of the VOA Audience in West Germany and West Berlin, August 28, 1951].

Major Topic: Radio listening in FRG and West Berlin, including VOA and other programs of Western or Communist origin.


Major Topic: Stuttgart youth interest in U.S. history and rating of American history textbook.
0261 HICOG 97 [Germans View the Voice of America, Some Technical Factors in VOA Listenership, August 31, 1951].
Major Topic: VOA listening factors, including captive audience, time scheduling, station ownership, and program length.

0288 HICOG 98 [Reactions of the Berlin Audience to the Train of Europa, A Study of the Impact on East and West Germans, September 13, 1951].
Major Topics: Europa Train traveling exhibit on unified Europe; Western Europe economic integration.

0305 HICOG 99 [West German Reactions to a “Preservation of Democracy” Clause in the Projected Contractual Agreement, September 21, 1951].
Major Topic: Western Powers’ right to intervene to preserve democratic government in FRG.

0322 HICOG 100 [Program Tastes of West German and West Berlin Radio Listeners, September 27, 1951].
Major Topic: Radio listening preferences by program category such as news, music types, commentaries, plays, lectures, sports, agricultural reports, and reviews.

0382 HICOG 101 [Attitudes of East German Youths, A Series of Reports Based upon Studies Conducted during the Berlin Youth Festival, Evaluations of the Festival and the Impressions of West Berlin, September 29, 1951].
Major Topic: East German youth views on West Berlin and USSR-sponsored Berlin Youth Festival.

0417 HICOG 102 [Attitudes of East German Youths, A Series of Reports Based upon Studies Conducted during the Berlin Youth Festival, What Young Germans Would Like to Ask Mr. McCloy, September 29, 1951].
Major Topic: East German youth questions for U.S. High Commissioner John J. McCloy relating to German unification, liberation of East Germany from Communism, prospects for war, economic development, duration of occupation, and other matters.

0431 HICOG 103 [The Current State of German-American Relations, October 12, 1951].
Major Topics: Western Powers–German relations; FRG government as “puppet” of Western Powers; HICOG-FRG relations; discontentment with aspects of occupation; coal export issue impact on relations.

0471 HICOG 104 [Germans View the VOA, Program Preference and Evaluations of VOA Listeners, October 17, 1951].
Major Topics: VOA overall evaluation; preferences for VOA political programs versus programs from other sources such as RIAS and BBC; evaluation of specific programs; VOA understanding of Germany; reasons for ceasing to listen; U.S. objective for VOA.

0555 HICOG 105 [Germans View the VOA, The Question of Effectiveness, October 17, 1951].
Major Topics: VOA effectiveness in improving understanding of U.S. government, values, and social and economic conditions; preference for VOA compared to “Echo of the Day” program; VOA value for discussion.
purposes; superfluousness of VOA; VOA success in attracting politically active listeners.

Major Topics: FRG Chancellor Konrad Adenauer and FRG government performance; need for new Bundestag elections.

0605  HICOG 107 [A Balance Sheet on Western Information Efforts, Extent of German Accord with Western Viewpoints on Some Major East-West Issues, October 30, 1951].
Major Topics: Western versus USSR responsibility for divided Germany; GDR Prime Minister Otto Grotewohl proposal of FRG-GDR unification negotiations; reasons GDR residents leave; GDR police motivations for repressive actions; Four-Power conference on German problems; Western and USSR military buildups; U.S. position on European defense participation by FRG; North Atlantic Treaty purposes; U.S. reasons for participating in Korean conflict; Marshall Plan purposes.

0667  HICOG 108 [Attitudes of East German Youths, A Series of Reports Based upon Studies Conducted during the Berlin Youth Festival, Reactions to Eastern vs Western Propaganda, October 31, 1951].
Major Topics: East German youth views on Western Powers versus GDR-USSR propaganda; youth views on aspects of East-West struggle.

0709  HICOG 108-S [A Note on the Representativeness of German Listeners to VOA, November 7, 1951].
Major Topic: VOA listeners’ letters representing listeners’ views in general.

0714  HICOG 109 [Attitudes of East German Youths, A Series of Reports Based upon Studies Conducted during the Berlin Youth Festival, Radio Evaluations and Recommendations of East Zone Youth, November 19, 1951].
Major Topics: Size of East German youth radio-listening audience and program preferences; RIAS importance; comparison of RIAS program “Berlin Speaks to the Zone” to USSR-sponsored program “The Truth About America.”

0748  HICOG 110 [Are East Zone Youth Spreading the Message of West Berlin? A Study of the Effects of the Berlin Youth Festival on the East Zone Population, November 26, 1951].
Major Topic: Young East Germans’ pro-Western reactions to visit to West Berlin and communication of reactions to others at home in GDR.

0762  HICOG 111 [West German Thinking on a Federation of Europe, November 28, 1951].
Major Topics: Western Europe united organization; organization structure, including loose confederation versus ceding of national sovereignty; German unification as prerequisite to joining organization; FRG membership likelihood; relationship of nationalist sentiment to views on membership.
0817 HICOG 112 [West German Views on Veterans’ Organizations and Their Role in Political Life, November 30, 1951].
Major Topics: Veterans’ organizations; veteran activities, including reunions; organizations’ contribution to militarism.

0832 HICOG 113 [German Opinions on Jewish Restitution and Some Associated Issues, December 5, 1951].
Major Topics: Jews compensation by FRG for crimes and damage by Third Reich during World War II; collective German guilt for Nazi crimes; anti-Jewish sentiment; law outlawing anti-Semitic actions.

0862 HICOG 114 [The July 20th Plot on Hitler’s Life, Does It Affect a Rallying Point for Rightist Groups, December 5, 1951].
Major Topics: July 20, 1944, assassination attempt on Nazi leader Adolf Hitler; neo-Nazi organization SRP condemnation of attempt for political purposes.

0872 HICOG 115 [Some Further Sounding of West and East German Opinions on Unity Issues, December 19, 1951].
Major Topic: German unification issues, including UN role, USSR/Communist responsibility for divided Germany, and Soviet motives for advocating unification.

0895 HICOG 116 [Are East Zone Youth Resisting Totalitarian Education? December 19, 1951].
Major Topics: GDR secondary and elementary pupils on East German education; awareness of and approval/rejection of instruction in Communist-directed schools; political disagreements with teachers (“parroting mouthpieces of the Communist regime”).

0914 HICOG 117 [Current German Views on a National vs a European Army, December 21, 1951].
Major Topic: European defense participation by FRG versus West German national army.

0934 HICOG 118 [The Present Status of “Neo-Nazism” in West Germany, January 10, 1952].
Major Topics: Neo-Nazism in FRG; neo-Nazi organization SRP public awareness and support; Nazism during Third Reich; factors related to neo-Nazism, including economic and social circumstances.

0974 HICOG 119 [The German Appraisal of the Allied Forces in West Germany, January 28, 1952].
Major Topics: Allied occupation forces in FRG; confidence in fighting abilities of U.S. troops; German compared to American soldiers; off-duty behavior of U.S. soldiers; advantages or disadvantages to FRG security of presence of Allied troops; suggestions for improved relations between Allied troops and German people.
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0001 HICOG 120 [German Evaluations of NATO, with Other Opinions of European Defense Issues, January 29, 1952].
   Major Topics: NATO awareness and assessment; Dwight D. Eisenhower’s adequacy as Supreme Allied Commander in Europe; FRG military draft and taxation; contribution of NATO and U.S. military buildups to climate favorable to war.

0037 HICOG 121 [Anxieties and Aspirations of East Zone Youth, January 29, 1952].
   Major Topic: East German youth on support from West Germany, democratic change in GDR, refuge in FRG, and free economy.

0056 HICOG 122 [Progress toward Political Equality and Economic Well-Being, the German View, January 31, 1952].
   Major Topics: Personal economic well-being; FRG economic equality with other nations.

0069 HICOG 123 [A Note on West German Reactions to the West’s Disarmament Proposals at the Paris Meeting of the UN, February 11, 1952].
   Major Topic: UN Paris meeting disarmament proposals.

0079 HICOG 124 [Repercussions in West Germany of the French Ambassadorial Appointment to the Saar, February 26, 1952].
   Major Topic: French appointment of ambassador to disputed Saar area.

0098 HICOG 125 [The Current State of West Berlin Morale, February 29, 1952].
   Major Topics: West Berlin morale; Berlin role in East-West struggle; reluctance to leave Berlin; confidence in West Berlin government; optimism about economic and political prospects over the next decade; FRG efforts on behalf of West Berlin; morale of unemployed.

0164 HICOG 126 [East Zone Youth’s Appraisal of Western Political Pamphlets, February 29, 1952].
   Major Topics: East German youth readership of Western political pamphlets; pamphlets as source of information on West; appraisal of pamphlets.

0181 HICOG 127 [An Appraisal of the Impact of the Berlin Cultural Festival, March 10, 1952].
   Major Topic: Berlin cultural festival influence on perceptions of U.S. culture.

0194 HICOG 128 [Current Trends in West Berlin Opinions on Issues Related to East-West Struggle, March 29, 1952].
   Major Topic: West Berliners on East-West struggle, including confidence in U.S. policy toward USSR, and U.S. commitment to West Berlin security.

0213 HICOG 129 [West German Public Opinion on Defense Participation Following the Formal Bundestag Debate, Impact of the Bundestag Debate, March 31, 1952].
   Major Topics: Bundestag debate on European defense participation by FRG; debate impact on population’s interest in political and military issues.
0238 HICOG 130 [West German Public Opinion on Defense Participation Following the Formal Bundestag Debate, Current Support and Resistance and Some of the Factors Related Thereto, March 31, 1952].

**Major Topics:** Bundestag debate on European defense participation by FRG; FRG forces equal treatment as precondition for participation; likelihood of FRG participation; comparative priorities of FRG reconstruction and FRG contribution to European defense.

0287 HICOG 131 [West German Public Opinion on Defense Participation Following the Formal Bundestag Debate, National vs Integrated Army, March 31, 1952].

**Major Topics:** Bundestag debate on European defense participation by FRG; European defense participation versus German national army; FRG forces equal treatment as precondition for participation.

0306 HICOG 132 [East Zone Farmers’ Reactions to RIAS Farm Broadcasts, April 10, 1952].

**Major Topic:** East German farmers’ reactions to RIAS farm broadcasts.

0316 HICOG 133 [Are East German Farmers Resisting Collectivism? April 10, 1952].

**Major Topics:** East German farmers’ evaluation of GDR agriculture; Communist-directed agrarian “reforms,” including collectivism quotas, regulations, and pressures; Five-Year Plan for agriculture; “new settlers” on former large estates; Communist authorities’ intention to collectivize all GDR agriculture.

0356 HICOG 134 [How Are West Berliners Reacting to the Economic Blandishments of East Berlin, April 29, 1952].

**Major Topics:** West Berliners’ attraction to cheap East Berlin goods; assessment of economic conditions in East Berlin.

0374 HICOG 135 [Contractual Agreement vs Russian Unity Proposal, West German Views, April 30, 1952].

**Major Topics:** Western Powers–FRG contractual agreement granting greater independence to West Germany; contractual agreement versus USSR proposal for German unification.

0399 HICOG 136 [Hard Core Refugees Evaluate Their Situation, A Study of Camp Inmates in Western Germany, May 16, 1952].

**Major Topics:** Refugee camp residents’ (expellees from Poland, Silesia, East Prussia, Sudetenland, or other areas) satisfaction/dissatisfaction with living conditions; relations with non-refugees; reasons for not leaving camps; economic problems, including difficulty finding employment and housing; desire to return to homelands; political views.

0496 HICOG 137 [Follow-up Study of German Views on the Contractual Agreement vs the Russian Unity Proposal, May 21, 1952].

**Major Topics:** Western Powers–FRG contractual agreement granting greater independence to West Germany; contractual agreement versus USSR proposal for German unification; German neutrality in East-West struggle; impact of agreement on support for USSR proposal of Soviet
relinquishment of Oder-Neisse border between Germany and Poland, allowing Germany to reclaim Silesia and other areas lost after World War II.

0521 HICOG 138 [East Zone Thinking on the Russian Unity Proposal vs the Contractual Agreement, with Comparison to West Berlin and West German Reactions, May 23, 1952].
Major Topic: East German views on Western Powers–FRG contractual agreement granting greater independence to West Germany, versus USSR proposal for German unification.

0544 HICOG 139 [Do the West German People Believe the U.S. Is for German Unity? With Comparative Judgments about the British and the French, May 27, 1952].
Major Topics: German reunification; U.S. and Western Powers commitment to reunification and actions taken toward that end.

0563 HICOG 140 [How Do Germans React to East-West Trade Restrictions, May 30, 1952].
Major Topics: FRG-GDR trade restrictions; ban on trade of military items.

0577 HICOG 141 [Initial West German Reactions to the Soviet War of Nerves, June 3, 1952].
Major Topics: Western Powers–FRG contractual agreement granting greater independence to West Germany and FRG participation in European defense; USSR-GDR attempts to intimidate FRG into not implementing agreement; effect of Communist actions as strengthening support for contractual agreement.

0607 HICOG 142 [First Reactions of West Berliners to the Current Soviet Pressure Campaign, June 11, 1952].
Major Topics: West Berliners’ reaction to USSR-GDR attempts to intimidate FRG into not implementing Western Powers’ contractual agreement granting greater independence to West Germany and FRG participation in European defense; effect of Communist actions as strengthening support for contractual agreement.

0628 HICOG 143 [Some Basic Guides to Predicting the Future Behavior of West Germany, June 30, 1952].
Major Topics: FRG place in European confederation; nationalistic sentiments; FRG dominance in European politics; population overcrowding and lack of living space (lebensraum); recovery of lost German territories east of current Oder-Neisse boundary, including Prussia, Silesia, Pomerania, and Sudetenland; FRG right to use force to unify Germany and recover lost territories; FRG ties with West.

0695 HICOG 144 [German Views on the Contractual Agreement Following Initialing and Publication, July 8, 1952].
Major Topics: Western Powers–FRG contractual agreement granting greater independence to West Germany and FRG participation in European defense; agreement impact on reunification prospects.
HICOG 145 [A Further Assessment of German Reactions to the Soviet War of Nerves, July 10, 1952].

Major Topics: USSR-inspired “war of nerves” against FRG and West Berlin integration with West; effect of Soviet pressure on morale.


Major Topics: USSR likelihood to attack West Berlin, and West Berlin armed resistance; commitment of West to defend Berlin; second Berlin blockade likelihood; awareness that West Berlin is not in Western Powers–FRG contractual agreement.

HICOG 147 [The Basic Economic Orientations of the West German People, General Views on Socialism, Capitalism, and Communism, July 30, 1952].

Major Topics: Economic outlook, including appraisals of socialism, capitalism, and Communism; socialization of heavy industry and other private enterprise.

HICOG 148 [The Basic Economic Orientations of the West German People, the Status of Trade Unions and the Question of Co-Determination, August 7, 1952].

Major Topics: Overall influence of trade unions on FRG economy; union effectiveness in improving conditions of FRG workers; co-determination of labor and management in industrial decision making; U.S. support of trade unions and co-determination.

HICOG 149 [A Note on Receptivity and Resistance to Introducing American Working Methods into German Industry, August 8, 1952].

Major Topics: U.S. working methods introduction to improve FRG productivity; comparison of German and U.S. methods.

HICOG 150 [The Korean Record in German Eyes, August 13, 1952].

Major Topics: Korean conflict assessment, including performance of UN forces; importance of conflict in overall East-West struggle; comparative views of UK, French, Dutch, and Italian populations.

HICOG 151 [West German Receptivity and Reactions to the Exchange of Persons Program, August 25, 1952].

Major Topics: Awareness and appraisal U.S.-FRG exchange of persons program; things Germans can learn from Americans, including U.S. social welfare and politics, as well as in areas such as arts, culture, science, and industry; information from German returnees.

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HICOG 152 [West German Public Opinion Concerning the Latest Russian Note, September 2, 1952].

Major Topics: Four-Power conference on German problems; reaction to USSR proposal to place peace treaty first on agenda and free elections last; Western Powers–FRG contractual agreement granting greater independence to West Germany and FRG participation in European defense.
0007 HICOG 153 [Current West German Views on the War Criminals Issue, September 8, 1952].
Major Topics: German war criminal trials justice and validity; release of defendants; imprisoned generals’ role in new FRG army.

0027 HICOG 154 [West German Evaluation of the U.S. Air Force in Germany, September 15, 1952].
Major Topics: U.S. Air Force contribution to FRG security and support for German ground troops; U.S. Air Force compared to Luftwaffe and other air forces; Korean conflict performance against Communists; appraisal of U.S. airmen; quality of life near U.S. air base; World War II mass bombings of German cities; likelihood of bombings of FRG and Berlin in future war.

0103 HICOG 155 [Present Level of West German Political and Economic Satisfaction, September 22, 1952].
Major Topics: Personal economic circumstances assessment; FRG Chancellor Konrad Adenauer government’s economic policies and foreign relations, including stances toward USSR and United States; support for political parties; CDU; SPD.

0147 HICOG 155-S [An Experimental Reaction Study on the VOA, September 22, 1952].
Major Topics: VOA overall evaluation; preferences for VOA political and other programs versus programs from other sources such as Hessian Radio; evaluation of specific programs; VOA understanding of Germany; reasons for ceasing to listen.

0201 HICOG 156 [West German Reactions to Visit of East Zone Delegation, with an Appraisal on the Current Temper of the Unity Issue, October 3, 1952].
Major Topics: GDR delegates’ visit to Bundestag in Bonn; FRG-GDR negotiations on German unification.

0224 HICOG 157 [Are the Difficulties of Recent East Zone Refugees Breeding Disaffection with the West? October 13, 1952].
Major Topics: Reasons of East German refugees in West Berlin for leaving East, and their attitudes toward the West; FRG Minister Jakob Kaiser’s plea to GDR residents to remain in East unless endangered.

0249 HICOG 158 [West Germans Appraise Their Present-Day Press, Newspaper Readership and Preferences, October 14, 1952].
Major Topics: Newspaper readership; political party–oriented versus independent papers; radio listening; radio versus newspapers as primary news source; radio-newspaper audience overlap.

0280 HICOG 159 [West Germans Appraise Their Present-Day Press, Evaluations and Recommendations, October 15, 1952].
Major Topics: Newspaper audience; press evaluation; independence of personal judgment from press opinions; newspapers’ expression of political party positions; free press support; occupational authorities’ control of press; press characterizations of Americans and U.S. programs in Germany; postwar press licensing program.
Major Topic: Neue Zeitung (U.S. sponsored newspaper) readership and evaluation.

0373 HICOG 161 [The Impact of the BDJ Affair upon American Prestige in Germany, October 30, 1952].
Major Topics: Alleged U.S.-financed Bund Deutscher Jugend guerrilla groups; public awareness and influence on attitudes toward United States.

0388 HICOG 162 [Have East Zone Catholics Been Demoralized by Communist Pressure? November 5, 1952].
Major Topics: East German Catholics demoralization by Communist harassment or intimidation; Catholic Church’s inability to take countermeasures.

0409 HICOG 163 [West German Reactions to the American Presidential Elections, November 15, 1952].
Major Topics: U.S. presidential election awareness and interest; preference for Dwight D. Eisenhower versus Adlai E. Stevenson; expectations for and initial appraisal of new U.S. administration and President-elect Dwight D. Eisenhower; U.S. election campaign.

0430 HICOG 164 [West German Audience Potential for a Projected Atomic Energy Exhibit, November 17, 1952].
Major Topic: U.S.-sponsored atomic energy peacetime use exhibit in Germany.

0438 HICOG 165 [An Appraisal of Pamphlets as a Medium of Influence in West Germany, December 22, 1952].
Major Topics: Pamphlets as influential medium; distrust in accuracy, origin, and purposes of pamphlets.

0453 HICOG 166 [An Evaluation of the Effectiveness of the Marshall Haus Exhibit, December 23, 1952].
Major Topics: HICOG-MSA Marshall Haus exhibit attendance; long lines as reason for not attending.

0467 HICOG 167 [A Year End Survey of Rightist and Nationalist Sentiments in West Germany, January 12, 1953].
Major Topics: Rightist and nationalist sentiments, including neo-Nazism; compensation of Jews by FRG for crimes by Third Reich during World War II; youth views; Bonn-Israel agreement; anti-Semitism; Free Democratic Party pro-Nazi positions; Nazi officer defense of German war criminals.

0548 HICOG 168 [The Year’s Trends in West German Thinking on the Peace Contract and Political Party Preferences, January 13, 1953].
Major Topics: Western Powers–FRG contractual agreement granting greater independence to West Germany and FRG participation in European defense; political party preferences; SPD; CDU; postponement of Bundestag elections; German reunification; recovery of lost German territories east of current Oder-Neisse boundary.
0592 HICOG 169 [The Year End Status of West German Confidence in the Strength of the Western Powers, January 28, 1953].
Major Topics: East-West balance of power; ultimate cold war victory by Western powers.

0607 HICOG 169-S [Public Opinion in Western Europe, Attitudes toward Political, Economic and Military Integration, January 1953].
Major Topics: Western European (France, UK, Italy, Netherlands, FRG) public opinion by country on European integration, including European Coal and Steel Community, proposed EDC, Schuman Plan to pool heavy industries of Western European nations; Western European (France, UK, Italy, Netherlands, FRG) public opinion on United States, USSR, and Communist sympathizers in Western Europe; Western European (France, UK, Italy, Netherlands, FRG) public opinion on European army establishment, reliability of allies, defense morale, ability to resist USSR attack, neutralism and anti-militarism.

0831 HICOG 170 [RIAS Coverage and Programming as Evaluated by the East Zone Listeners, February 10, 1953].
Major Topic: East German émigrés on RIAS, including listening patterns, news and political programs, reporting on GDR conditions, information to counter GDR propaganda, youth informational programs, and need for fairy tales and folklore.

0898 HICOG 171 [How Do Germans Feel about an American Informational Operation in West Germany? February 11, 1953].
Major Topics: U.S. public affairs and information programs in FRG; lasting influence of American ideas; USSR-U.S. propaganda techniques and effectiveness comparisons; truthfulness of U.S. information on U.S. democracy and living conditions.

0929 HICOG 172 [Year-End Trends in West German Attitudes toward the UN, February 14, 1953].
Major Topics: UN awareness; UN purpose and ability to prevent world war.

0942 HICOG 173 [Some Early West German Reactions to the New American Administration, February 24, 1953].
Major Topics: Expectations for and initial appraisal of new U.S. administration and President Dwight D. Eisenhower; Eisenhower attention to Europe and stance toward USSR; Republicans’ handling of world problems.

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0001 HICOG 174 [The American Soldier as Appraised by the West German People, March 11, 1953].
Major Topics: U.S. soldiers in FRG, including civilian-troop relations, troop behavior, Christmas activities, soldier combat qualities, U.S. military equipment, and U.S. combat record in Korea; U.S. forces provision of security against Eastern/USSR aggression; costs of U.S. occupation forces; wish for U.S. forces to stay; impact of U.S. families living in Germany on housing shortage; military displays and parades.
0129 HICOG 175 [A German Audience Evaluation of the Film “Without Fear,” March 20, 1953].
Major Topics: HICOG-sponsored film Without Fear audience reaction; film theme of Western European unity triumphing over totalitarianism; technical aspects including animation.

0150 HICOG 176 [Green Week Visitors Appraise the Marshall Haus Exhibit “Agriculture in the Free World,” March 27, 1953].
Major Topic: HICOG-MSA Marshall Haus exhibit during “Green Week” on agriculture in free world.

0169 HICOG 177-S [West German Public Opinion in the Wake of Stalin’s Death and the Soviet “Peace Offensive,” April 30, 1953].
Major Topics: USSR “peace offensive” following death of USSR leader Joseph Stalin; disposition of new USSR government toward peace, negotiations with West, and German reunification; Western Powers–FRG contractual agreement granting greater independence to West Germany and FRG participation in European defense; FRG government performance.

0202 HICOG 177 [Current Appraisal of West Berlin Morale, with Reactions to the Refugee Influx, April 20, 1953].
Major Topics: West Berlin morale; appraisal of U.S. President Dwight D. Eisenhower; U.S. policies in FRG and Berlin; refugees’ influx and FRG government treatment; Communist threats to seal GDR border with West Berlin; Berlin blockade prospects; reluctance to leave Berlin; economic and political prospects.

0284 HICOG 178 [German Impact and Evaluations of President Eisenhower’s Foreign Policy Address, May 14, 1953].
Major Topics: President Dwight D. Eisenhower foreign policy address awareness and assessment; feasibility of Eisenhower objective to reduce cold war tensions.

0308 HICOG 179 [Current West German Political Trends and Projected Reactions to Possible Russian Proposals, June 15, 1953].
Major Topics: FRG government and FRG Chancellor Konrad Adenauer performance; Four-Power conference on German problems; German defense forces reestablishment as precondition for accepting USSR proposal for neutral reunified Germany.

0336 HICOG 180 [German Political Trends Following Recent Soviet Concessions and Subsequent East Zone Riots, July 6, 1953].
Major Topics: USSR post-Stalin government conciliatory attitude toward West; GDR demonstrations and riots against Communist policies; Four-Power conference on German problems.

0382 HICOG 181 [The America House Evaluated, July 17, 1953].
Major Topics: Amerika Haus (U.S. information center) awareness and patronage; services used, including library, film showings, lectures, concerts, exhibits, plays, and English language courses; patron characteristics, including educational level, age, and occupational category; patron evaluation of centers; impact of centers on FRG citizens’ knowledge and views of United States; patronage expansion.
Major Topics: West Berlin RIAS listener assessment of station value to Germans; RIAS as effective instrument for countering Communist propaganda; RIAS political versus entertainment value compared to competing stations.

0544  HICOG 183-S [German Thinking on a Four-Power Conference, August 24, 1953].
Major Topics: Four-Power conference on German problems; conference support and anticipated achievements; free elections and neutrality as conditions for German reunification.

0564  HICOG 183 [Some Clues to the Effectiveness of a Productivity Film Program among German Factory Workers, August 14, 1953].
Major Topic: Effectiveness of productivity-related training films among production workers in sample FRG machine-producing factory.

0600  HICOG 184 [West Berlin Subscribers Appraise the “Neue Zeitung,” August 27, 1953].
Major Topic: Neue Zeitung (U.S. sponsored newspaper) readership and evaluation.

0659  HICOG 185 [East Zone Views on the June Riots, Food Aid and Current Political Issues, August 27, 1953].
Major Topics: Views of East Germans on food distribution program for GDR residents conducted in West Berlin, effects of June 17 riots and demonstrations in GDR, East-West struggle, U.S. policy toward USSR, free elections, and neutrality of unified Germany.

0701  HICOG 186 [Further Soundings of East German Opinions on Current Political Issues, September 18, 1953].
Major Topics: East Germans on FRG Konrad Adenauer government; European defense participation by FRG; conference of West German political parties, CDU, SPD, and Four Powers on German problems, and future demonstrations similar to those on June 17.

0735  HICOG 187 [An Evaluation of Audience Reactions to the USIS Film “Magic Streetcar,” October 7, 1953].
Major Topics: USIA-produced short feature film Magic Streetcar on East-West differences; audience reactions, including value of such films and information versus entertainment value.

0786  HICOG 188 [The Current Standing of RIAS among West Berlin Radio Listeners, Comparative Indices of Statistics and Program Popularity, October 29, 1953].
Major Topics: West Berlin RIAS listeners on station popularity as a whole; program-by-program popularity of RIAS versus principal competitors; Armed Forces Network; NWDR; politically focused audience participation program “Join In”; radio play Fantastic Journey; musical program preferences.
0832  HICOG 189 [East Zone Radio Listening, Trend & Current Evaluations of RIAS, October 30, 1953].

Major Topics: East German residents radio listening, with station preferences including RIAS and NWDR; RIAS program “Berlin Speaks to the Zone”; reasons for not listening to RIAS; reception difficulties due to Communist jamming.

0860  HICOG 190 [The Marshall Haus Exhibit at the 1953 Berlin Industrial Fair, Evaluations of West Berlin and East German Reaction, November 16, 1953].

Major Topics: Marshall Haus exhibit at Berlin Industrial Fair; Tennessee Valley Authority project; Marshall Haus exhibit general effectiveness in communicating U.S. messages; visitors’ recall of previous year’s exhibit.

0930  HICOG 191 [A Survey Analysis of the Factors Underlying the Outcome of the 1953 German Federal Elections, December 11, 1953].

Major Topics: CDU victory in 1953 FRG elections; reasons for voting for CDU, including economic conditions and Chancellor Konrad Adenauer leadership; democracy in FRG.

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0001  HICOG 192 [West German Reactions to the UN Airing of Korean Atrocities, December 28, 1953].

Major Topics: Korean conflict atrocities committed by North Korean or Chinese Communists or by UN troops; mistreatment or killing of POWs; germ warfare.

0020  HICOG 192-S [International Survey on President Eisenhower’s UN Speech, 1953].

Major Topic: President Dwight D. Eisenhower speech to UN on peaceful use of atomic energy (“Atoms for Peace”).

0047  HICOG 193 [German Public Opinion on the Four-Power Conference, with Latest Trends in EDC Thinking, January 18, 1954].

Major Topics: Four-Power conference on German problems; free elections as precondition for FRG-GDR negotiations on reunification; Chinese participation in conference; EDC establishment with FRG defense force participation; EDC force versus German national army; French postponement of EDC ratification.

0086  HICOG 194 1–6 and 195 [West German Views on Eve of the Four-Power Conference; West German Reactions to the Initial Developments in the Four-Power Conference; Flash Reactions to Eden and Molotov Plans; West Germans’ Reactions to Western vs Soviet Proposals at the Four-Power Conference; East German Reactions to Western vs Soviet Proposals at the Four-Power Conference; West German Opinion on Molotov’s European Security Proposal and Other Late Conference Developments; Who Won the Four-Power Conference? March 11, 1954].

Major Topics: Four-Power conference on German problems outcome, including relative prestige gains for West and USSR; conference impact on EDC opposition and prestige of FRG Chancellor Konrad Adenauer; post-conference climate for East-West negotiations on German
reunification; SPD, religious groups, and youth views on conference; USSR Foreign Minister Vyacheslav Molotov and UK Foreign Secretary Anthony Eden proposals for German reunification; free elections as precondition for FRG-GDR negotiations on reunification.


0232 HICOG 196-S2 [The American and West German Aid Program in the Eyes of West Berliners, and Current West Berlin Morale, May 25, 1954]. Major Topics: West Berlin on U.S. and FRG economic aid, including overall magnitude, uses for long-term economic recovery versus other purposes, consequences of possible discontinuation, and relative share contributed by FRG; West Berlin economic conditions, including unemployment, housing shortages, and cost of living; West Berlin morale; reluctance to leave Berlin; economic and political prospects.

0327 HICOG 196 [Current West German Political Opinions and Reactions to Recent Developments, April 12, 1954]. Major Topics: GDR sovereignty; FRG sovereignty; EDC establishment; Saar region dispute; constitutional amendments; U.S. non-recognition of Communist China.

0342 HICOG 197 [The Impact of American Commercial Films in West Germany, June 14, 1954]. Major Topics: U.S. commercial motion pictures audience in FRG; audience reactions, including positive or negative effects on youth; impressions on U.S. life gained from films; propaganda value of films.

0399 HICOG 198 [Trends in West German Appraisal of the U.S. Forces in Germany, June 15, 1954]. Major Topics: U.S. soldiers in FRG, including civilian-troop relations, soldier behavior, Christmas activities, civilian clothing for off-duty troops, soldier combat qualities, U.S. military equipment, and U.S. combat record in Korea; U.S. forces likelihood to successfully combat Eastern/USSR aggression; costs of U.S. occupation forces; wish for U.S. forces to stay; U.S. families living in Germany, including impact on housing shortage; military displays and parades.

0513 HICOG 199 [West Germans State Their Views on the Role of Atomic Weapons in Western Defense, June 18, 1954]. Major Topics: Atomic weapons testing by United States and USSR; weapons use by United States to counter USSR non-atomic attack on Germany; U.S. arms control efforts; awareness of Western superiority in nuclear weapons versus USSR superiority in conventional weapons; peaceful use of atomic energy.

Major Topics: USSR-FRG discussions; USSR-FRG diplomatic relations establishment; U.S. prestige in West; East-West balance of power; German neutralism and reunification; EDC establishment with FRG defense force participation; EDC force versus German national army; French postponement of EDC ratification.

0663 HICOG 200-S [An Evaluation of the Exchange Program in West Germany, 1954].

Major Topics: U.S.-FRG exchange of persons program awareness and appraisal; returnees’ impressions of aspects of U.S. life, including U.S. religious practices, separation of church and state, and Catholicism; education, including student-teacher relations, educational opportunity, curriculum, and teachers; U.S. “way of life” and standard of living; U.S. economic power, industrial organization and productivity, division of labor, working conditions, and science and technology; political system, including democratic self-government, political activities, and government-citizen relations; cultural life, including libraries and museums, music, literature, fine art, and theater; labor-management relations and union activities; family life, child rearing, independence of children, and women’s status; agriculture and farm life; public welfare and social services; press and radio, including journalistic quality; racial and ethnic problems, including discrimination and segregation; Jews status; Black Americans status; U.S. class consciousness.

0806 HICOG 201 [Estimates of Soviet Zone Audiences of RIAS Program Features, August 20, 1954].

Major Topics: RIAS audience in GDR overall; audience estimates for specific programs by day of week.

0850 HICOG 202 [German Reactions to the John Affair and Other Recent Political Events, with Trends on EDC, Further European Conferences and Related Issues, September 8, 1954].

Major Topics: FRG intelligence official Otto John defection to or kidnapping by GDR; USSR proposal for European conference; neutrality as condition for German unification; GDR acceptance of U.S. flood help; EDC establishment with FRG defense force participation; EDC force versus German national army; French postponement of EDC ratification; FRG sovereignty.

0930 HICOG 202-S [Post-EDC Climate of West European Opinion, with Reactions to the London Conference, November 2, 1954].

Major Topics: EDC initiative collapse; Nine Power Conference in London on FRG integration into Western European security arrangements; FRG occupation termination agreement.


Major Topics: East German and East Berlin residents radio listening audience size and program preferences, including RIAS and VOA; VOA credibility compared to that of BBC.
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0001  HICOG 204 [Radio Diary Study in West Germany and West Berlin, May 1954, November 29, 1954].
      Major Topics: Radio listening logs showing audience shares by station, time period, and day of week; detailed guide to programs offered by each major station, including RIAS, VOA, and NWDR.

0160  HICOG 205 [The Berlin Atomic Energy Exhibit, West and East German Reactions, December 1, 1954].

0209  HICOG 206 [Current German Opinion on the Saar, December 6, 1954].
      Major Topics: Saar disputed region agreement between France and Germany; FRG Chancellor Konrad Adenauer performance and prestige.

      Major Topics: West Berlin youth morale, including assessments of West Berlin economy, personal economic circumstances, government concern for youth welfare, employment prospects, U.S. aid, and city’s democratic government.

0322  HICOG 207 [Public Opinion in West Germany on the Re-establishment of Military Forces, February 4, 1955].
      Major Topics: FRG military forces reestablishment; FRG anti-rearmament demonstrations; willingness to serve in military; voluntary versus compulsory military service.

      Major Topic: U.S.-sponsored atomic energy peaceful use exhibit at Frankfurt.

0401  HICOG 209 [German Attitudes towards France and the French, March 11, 1955].
      Major Topics: Enemies of Germany; countries that pose menace to peace; French-German relations, including mutual efforts as well as problems; knowledge of France; French-German comparative superiorities; French culture, outlook on life, religious practices, marriage and family life, politics, and economic system.

      Major Topics: Western European (France, UK, Italy, FRG) public opinion on European integration; proposed Western European Union, European defense participation by FRG; U.S. and USSR relations; neutralism; East-West negotiations; war prospects; NATO purpose and likelihood of atomic weapons use; peaceful uses of atomic energy; prestige of political leaders; USSR call for “peaceful coexistence.”
0565  HICOG 210 [An Appraisal of the America Houses in Germany, April 15, 1955].

   Major Topics: Amerika Haus (U.S. information centers) awareness and patronage; bookmobiles and German-American libraries and patronage; patron retention; patron evaluation of centers; impact of centers on FRG citizens knowledge of and attitudes about U.S. economic system and industry, science and technology, educational system and instructional methods, agriculture, labor-management relations, newspapers and radio, churches and religious life, general way of life, family life, culture, support of music, political system, public welfare and social services, social problems, and black and other racial and ethnic groups discrimination; patron requests for more information on selected subjects; statistics for individual Amerika Haeuser.

0867  HICOG 211 [Reunification, West German Aspirations and Expectations, May 19, 1955].

   Major Topics: German reunification prospects; East versus West blame for failure to reunite Germany; reunification obstacles; rigidity of U.S. and USSR policies; reunification agenda consideration at new Four-Power conference; neutrality, relinquishment of territories east of Oder-Neisse line, or acceptance of nondemocratic government as alternative conditions for reunification.

0976  HICOG 212 [West German Radio Listening during February 1955, May 13, 1955].

   Major Topics: Radio listening, including popularity of station NWDR compared to other stations; radio reliability as public information medium.

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0001  HICOG 213 [Sovereign Germany Speaks, Reactions to Sovereignty, Austrian Solution and Coming Four-Power Conference, July 1, 1955].

   Major Topics: FRG military occupation termination; FRG sovereignty restoration; FRG neutrality; FRG-West relations; FRG-USSR relations; FRG recognition of GDR; Austria-USSR treaty; Austria full sovereignty; Four-Power conference on German reunification.

0132  HICOG 214 [Written Media in West Germany, August 15, 1955].

   Major Topics: FRG newspaper audience size and composition; newspaper political orientations; local news versus other newspaper contents; radio listening overlap with news readership; reliability of newspapers versus radio news; press freedom limitations; press criticism of government; periodicals and pamphlets readership and evaluation; book readership, including U.S. authors; Margaret Mitchell and Gone with the Wind.

0236  HICOG 214-S [West German Views on Vital Questions (Atomic Energy, NATO and the Far East), September 6, 1955].

   Major Topics: Atomic energy peaceful uses; NATO awareness and evaluation; East Asia issues, including Communist China admission to UN; East-West trade.
*Major Topics:* Geneva Conference on the Peaceful Uses of Atomic Energy; German nuclear power development.

0269 HICOG 216 [German Reactions to Atomic Weapons, September 23, 1955].
*Major Topics:* Nuclear weapon use to defend Germany; U.S. nuclear testing; nuclear weapons control agreements.

0291 HICOG 217 [Appraising the Adenauer Moscow Agreements, October 11, 1955].
*Major Topics:* FRG Chancellor Konrad Adenauer and FRG government performance; Adenauer visit to USSR; negotiations on return of German POWs, FRG-USSR diplomatic relations, and German reunification; relinquishment of former German territories east of Oder-Neisse line as condition for reunification.

0385 HICOG 218 [The U.S. Exhibit at the Berlin Trade Fair, 1955, October 25, 1955].
*Major Topics:* Marshall Haus exhibit at Berlin Industrial Fair; U.S. clothing technology and industry.

0418 HICOG 219 [Some East Zone Radio Listening Habits, October 28, 1955].
*Major Topics:* East German residents radio listening audience size and program preferences, including RIAS, VOA, and BBC; best radio source during crisis; reception quality by laender (states).

0458 HICOG 220 [East Zoners Appraise the Adenauer & GDR Moscow Agreements, November 2, 1955].
*Major Topics:* East German residents on FRG Chancellor Konrad Adenauer negotiations in USSR on return of German POWs, FRG-USSR diplomatic relations, and German reunification; East German residents on USSR-GDR treaty formalizing diplomatic relations; impact of USSR-GDR treaty on GDR isolation from West; GDR officials Walter Ulbricht and Otto Grotewohl role in GDR-FRG relations; East German residents on relinquishment of former German territories east of Oder-Neisse line as condition for reunification.

0499 HICOG 221 [A Study of the Extent and Nature of Exchangees’ Contacts with the German People, November 22, 1955].
*Major Topics:* U.S.-FRG exchange of persons program awareness and general evaluation; FRG returnees’ contacts with general FRG population and dissemination of information on U.S. experience; returnees’ and FRG population impressions of U.S. life, including economy, press and radio, lifestyle, educational system, public welfare and social services, and social problems.

0576 HICOG 222 [A Study of Audience Reactions to “Tom Schuler,” USIS Short Feature Film, December 7, 1955].
*Major Topics:* USIS-produced film *Tom Schuler*, film theme of European unification; technical aspects, including animation.
0629  HICOG 223 [The Relative Influence of USIS, Informal and American Commercial Media in West Germany, December 27, 1955].

Major Topics: U.S. media impact on FRG population, including commercial media (newspapers, books, and motion pictures), USIS documentary films and other programs, Amerika Haeuser, and VOA; media exposure influence on political attitudes compared to influence of personal contact with German visitors to the United States.

0708  HICOG 224 [Study of Impressions and Disseminations by Information Specialists and Students from the Exchange of Persons Program, December 30, 1955].

Major Topics: U.S.-FRG exchange students and “information experts” returning to FRG; student participants’ impressions of U.S. life, including educational system; students’ communication of these impressions to other Germans; information experts’ impressions of U.S. life including mass media, and communication of these impressions to other Germans; impact of impressions on returnees’ desire to emigrate from FRG.

0764  HICOG 224, Appendix [December 30, 1955].

Major Topics: U.S.-FRG exchange students and “information experts” returning to FRG; communication to other Germans of favorable or unfavorable impressions of U.S. educational system, cultural life, arts, music, religious activities, press, social problems, including racial discrimination, “Negro problem in the South,” television, advertising, and radio.

0878  HICOG 225 [Visitors’ Reactions to the “Family of Man” Exhibit, January 25, 1956].


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0001  HICOG 226 [West German Attitudes Concerning the New German Army, February 10, 1956].

Major Topics: New German army establishment; compulsory versus voluntary service; “blind obedience” incorporation into army; military career prestige; civilian government control of military.

0070  HICOG 227 [The American Soldier Reappraised, February 21, 1956].

Major Topics: U.S. soldiers in FRG, including civilian-troop relations, soldier behavior, troops as protectors versus occupiers, soldier combat qualities, and U.S. forces likelihood to successfully combat USSR aggression; wish for U.S. forces to stay; Western allies commitment to help defend West Germany.

0148  HICOG 228 [President Eisenhower’s Mutual Aerial Inspection Plan as Seen by the West German Public, March 6, 1956].

0203 HICOG 229 [Public Opinion in the Saar, March 19, 1956].

Major Topics: Saar voters’ referendum rejection of proposed Saar Statute establishing Saar region as territory under control of Council of Europe; return of Saar area to FRG.

0292 HICOG 230 [Gauging West German Susceptibility to Authoritarianism, April 16, 1956].

Major Topics: Authoritarian susceptibility of FRG population relative to neo-Nazism and related factors, including economic and social circumstances; supremacy of Bundestag over Chancellor in case of conflict; Bundestag delegates’ loyalty to constituents over party; need for strong opposition parties.

0355 HICOG 231 [Public Confidence in Chancellor Adenauer Following the North Rhine–Westphalia Episode, April 25, 1956].

Major Topics: North Rhine–Westphalia state political party coalition changes; CDU; Free Democrats; Center Party; impact on FRG Chancellor Konrad Adenauer prestige and ability to govern; German reunification.

0407 HICOG 232 [West German Perspective on U.S. Politics and Culture, May 7, 1956].

Major Topics: U.S. political system, including democratic institutions and practices; U.S. foreign policy; U.S. cultural life and educational system; U.S. racial problems; common foreign policy and national security aims of Germans and Americans; anti-Communism; European integration; Americans as meddlers in other countries’ affairs; Americans as greedy; Americans as “undisciplined, loud, and rude.”

0457 HICOG 232, Appendix [May 7, 1956].

Major Topics: Detailed comments on U.S. political system, including democratic institutions and practices; U.S. foreign policy; U.S. cultural life and educational system; U.S. racial problems; common foreign policy and national security aims of Germans and Americans; common traits of Germans and Americans; anti-Communism; European integration.

0566 HICOG 233 [West German Thoughts on U.S. and German Economic Life, Knowledge of U.S. and German Economy, May 21, 1956].

Major Topics: U.S.-FRG economic comparisons, including industry structure, stock ownership, labor unions, social security system, U.S. economic aid, and contribution to German economic recovery; U.S.-FRG economic interrelationships; FRG economic interdependence on other European economies.

0600 HICOG 233, Appendix [May 21, 1956].

Major Topics: Detailed breakdowns of U.S.-FRG economic comparisons, including industry structure, stock ownership, labor unions, social security system, U.S. economic aid, and contribution to German economic recovery; U.S.-FRG economic interrelationships; FRG economic interdependence on other European economies.

0671 HICOG 234 [Appraisal of “The Hour of Choice” by a Group of Hessian Civil Servants, May 28, 1956].

Major Topic: USIA-produced film Hour of Choice on European integration.

Major Topics: Radio listening logs showing audience shares by station, time period, and day of week; detailed guide to programs offered by each major station, including RIAS, VOA, SFB, and NWDR.

HICOG 236 [West German Thoughts on U.S. and German Economic Life, Conception of the U.S. and German Economies, June 19, 1956].

Major Topic: U.S.-FRG economic comparisons, including sources of economic strength, natural resources, productivity, industriousness, government-business relations, labor unions, working conditions, workers’ financial circumstances, credit versus cash purchasing, stock markets, and social security system.

HICOG 236, Appendix [June 19, 1956].

Major Topic: Detailed breakdowns of U.S.-FRG economic comparisons, including sources of economic strength, natural resources, productivity, industriousness, government-business relations, labor unions, working conditions, workers’ financial circumstances, credit versus cash purchasing, stock markets, and social security system.

HICOG 237 [West German Thoughts on U.S. and German Economic Life, Comparison of U.S. and German Economic Life, July 10, 1956].

Major Topic: U.S.-FRG economic comparisons, including standard of living, citizens’ active participation in economy, United States as “land of opportunity,” earning opportunities, risk-taking versus conservatism in use of surplus cash, freedom to start businesses, competition, labor unions, size of middle class, and overall national economic strength.

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Major Topics: USIS-produced film Man: Maker of Abundance on development of modern industry and consequent general prosperity; working class audience reaction.


Major Topic: Radio listening measurement methods (diary, interviews) description and comparative advantages/disadvantages.

Report A-3 [The U.S. “Space Unlimited” Exhibit at the Berlin Fair, 1956, October 24, 1956].

Major Topics: U.S. “Space Unlimited” space research exhibit at Berlin Industrial Fair; attendance, general evaluation, and understanding of and reaction to exhibit parts; impact of exhibit on viewers’ opinions on U.S. peaceful versus military uses of space technology and U.S. willingness to share scientific knowledge.

Report A-3, Appendix [October 24, 1956].

Major Topics: U.S. “Space Unlimited” space research exhibit at Berlin Industrial Fair; attendance, general evaluation, and understanding of and
reaction to exhibit parts; impact of exhibit on viewers’ opinions on U.S. peaceful versus military uses of space technology and U.S. willingness to share scientific knowledge; rankings of country pavilions at fair.

0209 Report A-4 [A Study of East Zone Radio and TV Habits, October 29, 1956].
Major Topics: East German and East Berlin resident radio listening, reception difficulties due to Communist jamming; program preferences, including RIAS and VOA; BBC listening; television watching.

Major Topics: U.S. media impact on FRG population, including commercial media (newspapers, books, and motion pictures), USIS documentary films and other programs, Amerika Haeuser, and VOA; media exposure influence on political attitudes compared to influence of personal contact with German visitors to the United States.

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0310 Report A-6 [Reactions to “Die Schildbuerger,” A Pre-release Study of a USIS Film, January 15, 1957].
Major Topics: USIS-produced film Die Schildburher caricaturing GDR Soviet “puppet” regime and conditions in East Germany; film emotional impact and satirical form.

0343 Report A-7 [West German Reactions to President Eisenhower’s Middle-East Doctrine, January 28, 1957].
Major Topics: President Dwight D. Eisenhower speech on U.S. Middle East policy; U.S. military intervention in Middle East without UN consent.

0360 Report A-8 [The Frankfurt Showing of the “Space Unlimited” Exhibit, February 27, 1957].
Major Topics: U.S. “Space Unlimited” space research exhibit at Berlin Industrial Fair; attendance, general evaluation, and understanding of and reaction to exhibit parts; impact of exhibit on viewers’ opinions on U.S. peaceful versus military uses of space technology and U.S. willingness to share scientific knowledge.

0400 Report C-1 [Assessment of Troop-Community Relations, in Light of a Newspaper Campaign, August 15, 1956].
Major Topics: U.S. troops–FRG civilian relations in aftermath of rapes and FRG citizen death in fight; types of soldier-citizen relations approved or disapproved; U.S. families in FRG; housing construction for U.S. families; children of occupation troops and German mothers; NATO troop stationing costs; U.S.-requisitioned housing.
0517 Report C-2 [Current Political Issues, August 27, 1956].

*Major Topics:* Political issues, including FRG Chancellor Konrad Adenauer performance, FRG government performance, voluntary/compulsory military service for planned FRG army, NATO and USSR forces out of FRG and GDR, political party preferences (CDU, SPD, others), and conditions for German reunification, including relinquishment of territories east of Oder-Neisse line, acceptance of nondemocratic government, and demand for free elections.

0628 Report C-3 [West German Susceptibility to Soviet Moves, General Reactions, September 10, 1956].

*Major Topics:* East-West struggle, international balance of successes and failures; USSR rapprochement with China and India; East-West disarmament likelihood; neutralist sentiment; USSR foreign policy changes after death of Joseph Stalin; Stalin devaluation by Soviet leaders; Soviet leader Nikita S. Khrushchev trips abroad; USSR greater willingness to negotiate; FRG-USSR cultural and economic relations.

0695 Report C-3, Appendix [September 10, 1956].

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0762 Report C-4 [East Zone Opinion as of September 1956, November 7, 1956].

*Major Topics:* East German visitors to Berlin Industrial Fair views on GDR political, legal, and economic conditions; views on GDR leaders’ promises of improved economy, impact of post-Stalin changes in USSR; views on German reunification, FRG military draft, FRG rearmament, and FRG Chancellor Konrad Adenauer.

0830 Report C-5 [Basic Orientation and Political Thinking of West German Youth and Their Leaders, 1956].

[Report missing.]

0831 Report C-6 [West German Editors Assess the Press, February 21, 1957].

*Major Topic:* FRG newspaper editors on German reunification and foreign affairs, press responsibilities and contributions toward solving national problems, press influence on democracy, press versus radio objectivity and propagandizing, and freedom of press in FRG and other Western countries.

0874 Report C-6, Appendix [February 21, 1957].

*Major Topic:* FRG newspaper editors’ individual comments on German reunification and foreign affairs, press responsibilities and contributions toward solving national problems, press influence on democracy, press versus radio propagandizing, and freedom of press.
0919  Report C-6, Appendix II [February 21, 1957].  
Major Topic: Detailed breakdowns of FRG newspaper editors’ views on German reunification and foreign affairs, press responsibilities and contributions toward solving national problems, press influence on democracy, press versus radio propagandizing, and freedom of press.

0953  Report C-9 [The Degree of Interest in Features of American Life Expressed by Possible Target Groups, March 6, 1957].  
Major Topics: East German residents RIAS listening patterns, with preferences for specific programs and comparisons to other stations; RIAS as news source.

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0001  Report A-10 [A Study of the Effects of Time on Visitors Reactions to the “Space Unlimited” Exhibit, March 28, 1957].  
Major Topics: U.S. “Space Unlimited” exhibit understanding and evaluation; change in impressions over time; dissemination of information about exhibit to other Germans.

Major Topic: Amerika Haus bookmobile program awareness and use, including user education and occupation, other book sources, and relationship between bookmobile use and attitudes toward the United States and Americans.

0080  Report A-12 [The Amerika Haus Bookmobile Program: Pattern of Bookmobile Use, June 12, 1957].  
Major Topic: Amerika Haus bookmobile program use patterns, including types of books borrowed (fiction as well as twelve categories of nonfiction), average number borrowed, use of books by persons other than borrowers, magazines and newspapers borrowed, book selection assessment, and overcrowding of bookmobiles.

0110  Report A-13 [The Amerika Haus Bookmobile Program, Appendix, June 12, 1957].  
Major Topic: Amerika Haus bookmobile program use patterns and detailed data by city or area.

0151  Report A-14 [Current Awareness of and Opinions Concerning the Mutual Aerial Inspection Plan, August 26, 1957].  

0193  Report A-14, Appendix [August 26, 1957].  

**Major Topics:** USIS publication Ost-Probleme with articles and book reviews on USSR, East European satellite countries, and Communism in general; subscriber “elite” status, use, assessment of unique value, anti-Communist orientation, and reason for subscription cancellation.


**Major Topic:** Detailed breakdowns of USIS publication Ost-Probleme subscriber characteristics, use, assessment of unique value, anti-Communist orientation, and reason for subscription cancellation; specific respondent comments.

Report A-16 [A Study of the Nature and Operation of USIS’s Film Committees, October 22, 1957].

**Major Topic:** USIS motion picture presentation organizations (“film committees”) structure, operations, history, membership, equipment, film showings, audience composition, and relationship to USIS, including use of USIS films and equipment, evaluation of USIS films, reporting to USIS, and value of committees’ services.


**Major Topic:** “America Builds” exhibit at Berlin Industrial Fair attendance, popularity, and impact on assessment of U.S. architecture, building materials, and skyscraper construction.

Report A-18 [Radio Listening in the GDR, December 19, 1957].

**Major Topics:** East German residents RIAS listening patterns, with preferences for specific programs and comparisons to other stations including North German Radio (NDR), SFB, and BBC; reception difficulties due to Communist jamming; RIAS as news source.

Report A-18, Appendix [December 19, 1957].

**Major Topics:** Detailed breakdowns on East German residents RIAS listening patterns, with preferences for specific programs and comparisons to other stations including North German Radio (NDR), SFB, and BBC; reception difficulties due to Communist jamming; RIAS as news source.


**Major Topics:** U.S.-UK joint information centers in Dusseldorf and Oldenburg; patron exposure to USIS and VOA publications and media; effects of centers on patrons’ knowledge and impressions of U.S. matters such as policy toward Germany and U.S.-USSR relative strength.

Report C-7 [Further Information on East German Political Opinions, March 20, 1957].

**Major Topics:** Views of East German visitors to Berlin “Green Week” on German reunification prospects, GDR leaders’ promises of improved economy, actual changes in living conditions, Hungarian uprising and USSR suppression, U.S. actions in Suez crisis, and President Dwight D. Eisenhower proposals for Middle East peace.
0726 Report C-8 [Use of Amerika-Dienst Material by West German Editors, June 27, 1957].

Major Topics: FRG newspaper editors’ utilization of Amerika Dienst and other available news services; specific commendations and criticisms of Amerika Dienst.

0754 Report C-9 [The Degree of Interest in Features of American Life Expressed by Possible Target Groups, September 11, 1957].

Major Topic: U.S. lifestyles and related topics, including living conditions, family life, literature, art, architecture, and racial problems.

0773 Report C-10 [West German Confidence in NATO, October 10, 1957].

Major Topics: NATO awareness; overall confidence in NATO’s ability to defend Europe; NATO response to Hungarian uprising and Suez crisis; likelihood of world war.

0794 Report C-11 [Extent of Western Influence on the East German Populations, November 4, 1957].

Major Topics: East German visitors to West Berlin Interbau Exposition exposure to USIS media; relationship of exposure to political attitudes on German reunification and proposed U.S.-USSR mutual aerial inspection of German territory.

0814 Report C-12 [East Zone Political Opinion, December 27, 1957].

Major Topics: East German visitors to West Berlin Interbau Exposition assessment of U.S. and USSR economic strength; FRG alignment with East or West; exposure to USIS media; relationship of exposure to attitudes on German reunification and proposed U.S.-USSR mutual aerial inspection of German territory.

0843 Report C-12, Appendix [December 27, 1957].

Major Topics: Detailed breakdowns on East German visitors to West Berlin Interbau Exposition assessment of U.S. and USSR economic strength; FRG alignment with East or West; exposure to USIS media; relationship of exposure to attitudes on German reunification and proposed U.S.-USSR mutual aerial inspection of German territory.

0870 Report C-13 [Sputnik’s Influence on West German Confidence in the U.S., January 22, 1958].

Major Topics: USSR Sputnik satellite launch awareness; Sputnik impact on assessment of U.S. versus Soviet scientific advancement; Sputnik as military danger to West.


Major Topics: Austrian and Viennese recipients on USIS Vienna section news and features services, including distribution frequency, timeliness, use, and quality; USIS versus other news services; overall assessment of USIS services and publications.

_Major Topics:_ Kalamazoo, Michigan–focused exhibition at Berlin Industrial Fair; exhibition as “picture of everyday life in an average Midwestern town”; exhibit impact on patrons’ impressions of U.S. life.

0977  Report A-22 [Station Popularity and Reception Conditions within East Germany, November 17, 1958].

_Major Topics:_ East German radio audience; RIAS listening patterns, with preferences for specific programs and comparisons to other stations including North German Radio (NDR), and SFB; reception difficulties due to Communist jamming.

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0001  Report A-23 [The Role of “Culture” in West German Assessment of U.S. Foreign Policies, April 2, 1959].

_Major Topics:_ Cultural achievements of UK, France, USSR, and United States; interest in and knowledge of foreign culture; U.S. cultural achievements impact on opinion of U.S. foreign policy.

0029  Report A-23, Appendix [April 2, 1959].

_Major Topics:_ U.S. cultural achievements impact on opinion of U.S. foreign policy in specific crises or issue areas including arms control; cultural achievements of UK, France, USSR, and United States; interest in and knowledge of foreign culture.


_Major Topic:_ “Medicine in the U.S.A.” exhibit at Berlin Industrial Fair attendance, general evaluation, understanding of and reaction to exhibit parts, and impact of exhibit on viewers’ opinions on U.S.

0196  Report C-14 [First Reactions to “Explorer,” February 27, 1958].

_Major Topics:_ U.S. Explorer satellite launch awareness and impact on comparative assessment of U.S.-USSR scientific and military strength; rocket launching sites construction in FRG; new summit conference desirability.

0248  Report C-15 [Factors in West Berlin Morale, Economic Factors, April 7, 1958].

_Major Topics:_ West Berlin morale; economic factors bearing upon morale, including employment, prices, and assessment of personal economic circumstances; reluctance to leave Berlin; German reunification.

0269  Report C-15, Appendix [April 7, 1958].

_Major Topics:_ Detailed responses on West Berlin morale; economic factors bearing upon morale, including employment, prices, and assessment of personal economic circumstances; reluctance to leave Berlin; German reunification.
0294  Report C-16 [Factors in West Berlin Morale, Political Factors, April 21, 1958].

Major Topics: West Berlin morale; political factors bearing upon morale, including FRG assistance, contact with GDR, desirability of East Germans emigrating to FRG, Western Powers stance toward GDR and USSR, FRG rearmament, German reunification prospects, and political orientation of reunified Germany (including neutrality or alignment with West).

0343  Report C-16, Appendix [April 21, 1958].

Major Topics: Detailed responses on West Berlin morale; political factors bearing upon morale, including FRG assistance, contact with GDR, desirability of East Germans emigrating to FRG, Western Powers stance toward GDR and USSR, FRG rearmament, German reunification prospects, and political orientation of reunified Germany (including neutrality or alignment with West).

0371  Report C-17 [A Short Appraisal of NATO, May 1, 1958].

Major Topic: NATO awareness, ability to defend Western Europe, and FRG membership continuation or withdrawal.

0386  Report C-18 [German Reunification and a Summit Conference, May 8, 1958].

Major Topics: German reunification desirability and prospects; FRG direct negotiations with USSR on reunification; reunification as primary agenda item at possible summit conference; disarmament and agreement on control of outer space as summit agenda items.

0425  Report C-20 [A-Bomb Test Suspension and a Summit Conference, June 3, 1958].

Major Topics: USSR announcement of readiness to suspend nuclear testing; U.S. and USSR nuclear testing mutual suspension as primary agenda item at possible summit conference.

0463  Report C-19 [June 6, 1958].

Major Topics: Nuclear weapons presence in FRG; nuclear weapons for FRG military (Bundeswehr); Bundestag decision in favor of nuclear weapons for Bundeswehr; political party preferences; CDU; SPD.

0488  Report C-21 [The Influence of the Nagy-Maleter Executions on West German Expectations Concerning a Summit Conference, August 1, 1958].

Major Topics: USSR execution of 1956 Hungarian uprising leaders Imre Nagy and Pal Maleter; executions importance compared to other current world events; impact of executions on possible summit conference.

0525  Report C-22 [East Zone Germans Assess Their Current Situation, October 22, 1958].

Major Topic: East German visitors to Berlin Industrial Fair views on GDR political, legal, and economic conditions, German reunification, and SED party convention pronouncements, including “polytechnic education” and intention to surpass FRG in per capita consumption by 1961.
0557  Report C-23 [Assessment of NATO and American Forces in West Germany, before the Berlin Crisis, December 15, 1958].
Major Topics: NATO ability to defend Western Europe; U.S.-USSR military strength comparison; contact with and approval of U.S. forces stationed in Germany (survey conducted shortly before beginning of Berlin Crisis).

0584  Report C-24 [West Germany Views the Berlin Crisis, February 10, 1959].
Major Topics: Berlin Crisis; USSR renunciation of Berlin Four-Power status; USSR Premier Nikita S. Khrushchev; USSR transfer of East Berlin control to GDR government; Soviet ultimate intentions for Berlin; likely and appropriate Western responses, including UN control of West Berlin.

0614  Report C-25 [West German and Berlin Confidence in NATO, July 6, 1959].
Major Topics: NATO support for Western Powers position in Berlin; USSR renunciation of Berlin Four-Power status and transfer of East Berlin control to GDR; confidence in NATO commitment and ability to defend West Berlin and Western Europe.

0657  [East German Radio Listening and Television Viewing] [March 1960].
Major Topics: East German and East Berlin residents radio listening and reception difficulties due to Communist jamming; RIAS audience compared to other stations; RIAS as information source; RIAS farm programs; television watching.

0704  [East German Views on Current Issues] [1959].
Major Topics: East German visitors to West Berlin Industrial Fair assessment of current issues, including GDR political and economic conditions, German reunification, free elections as condition of reunification, Berlin Crisis and war likelihood, 1959 Geneva Four-Powers conference outcome, USSR Premier Nikita S. Khrushchev, and U.S. President Dwight D. Eisenhower planned visits exchange.

0745  [Post–Geneva Summit Views on Eisenhower/Khrushchev Visits and Other Issues] [September 3, 1959].

0797  [East German Radio Listening and Television Viewing] [March 1959].
Major Topics: East German and East Berlin residents radio listening and reception difficulties due to Communist jamming; RIAS audience compared to other stations; RIAS as information source; RIAS farm programs; television watching.

0837  [RIAS Program Reactions] [June 1962].
Major Topics: West Berlin RIAS audience size and program preferences, with comparisons to other stations, including SFB; East Berlin and GDR listening to RIAS after August 13, 1961, Berlin Wall erection (as reported by refugees to West Berlin).
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