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1. AFGHANISTAN. Soviet efforts at economic penetration of Afghanistan appear to be achieving considerable success, G-2 comments. The recent heavy influx of Soviet technicians into Afghanistan is not justified by the magnitude of known Soviet-Afghan aid projects. The present number of Soviet technicians greatly exceeds the total number of US technicians working on the much larger scale economic program in India, G-2 comments. DIB 1448, 29 October 54, S.

ADDITIONAL TARGETS OF OPPORTUNITY

* 1. BURMA. USIS Rangoon requests prompt selection and shipment to Burma of US books on religious persecution in China and the USSR for translation and distribution by the anti-Communist Buddhist Monks Organization. This organization is now successfully distributing its first book on this theme. Rangoon TOUSI 70, 28 October 54, C.; Target of Opportunity - Attn: Mr. MacDonald and Dr. Lilly.