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**A Memorandum to the Ukrainian Committee on  
State Security Regarding Counterintelligence  
Difficulties**

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**Summary:**

A memo stating the difficulties of finding sufficient manpower for counter-intelligence given the crisis in Czechoslovakia.

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UkrSSRCOMMITTEE ON STATE SECURITYunder the Council of Ministersof the Ukrainian SSR17 May 1968 No. 10/2362KVV TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE ORGANS DEPARTMENT OF THE UKRAINIAN CP CCKyivIn connection with the growing difficulty of operational conditions in the border oblasts of the UkrSSR (Volyns'k, L'viv, Transcarpathian, Chernivtsi, and Ivano-Frankivs'k)— difficulty caused by recent international events—and in connection with the increased ideological subversion carried out by the countries of the main adversary, the stepped-up activity of hostile anti-Soviet elements, the growing influx of foreigners from capitalist countries, the opening of new routes for tourists in automobiles, the greater travel by Soviet citizens abroad, and the significantly increased number of industrial and defense facilities that are deemed of special importance, it is necessary to strengthen counterintelligence work on all these matters. However, at present there are acute shortages of operational and other cadres who can organize counterintelligence work in the UkrSSR KGB Directorates in Volyns'k, L'viv, Transcarpathian, Chernivtsi, and Ivano-Frankivs'k Oblasts. For this reason, we believe it is necessary to increase the staffing levels in the aforementioned KGB directorates by 208 people. The Committee on State Security of Ukraine has sent appropriate recommendations to the all-union Committee on State Security with regard to this matter. CHAIRMAN OF THE COMMITTEE ON STATE SECURITY UNDER THE COUNCIL OF MINISTERS OF THE UKRAINIAN SSRV. NIKITCHENKO