

12 September 1962

**MEMORANDUM FOR:** Deputy Director (Plans)

**VIA :** Chief, Africa Division  
Assistant Deputy Director (Plans)

**SUBJECT :** African-American Institute (AAI)

1. This memorandum requests approval of action proposed in paragraph 5.

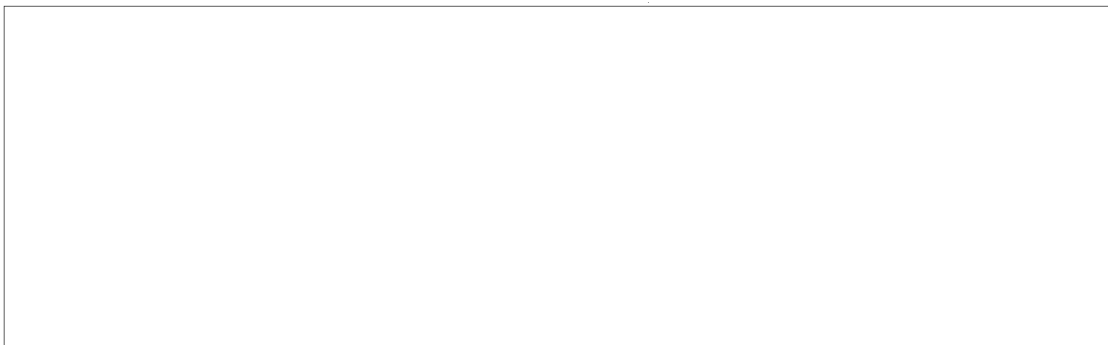
2. As you know, over the past weeks an inter-departmental group has been negotiating a plan for refinancing the African-American Institute (AAI) by a combination of overt contracts with government agencies and grants from private foundations. This would make it possible for CIA to withdraw in line with general agreements reached after several meetings involving the DCI, the Secretary of State, Mr. McGeorge Bundy, representatives of the Ford Foundation, the AAI and C/CA.

3. It now appears that there will be enough overt government contracts and reasonable assurances of grants from the Ford and Rockefeller Foundations for AAI to move ahead. As indicated earlier, the basis on which Ford and Rockefeller would consider grants to the AAI would be that CIA no longer participate in its funding. We would, therefore, propose that CIA transmit to the AAI by 1 November the balance of its 1963 budget for AAI. This would be done with the understanding that CIA would have no further responsibility for the AAI - financial or otherwise - after that date. This was the substance of the memorandum transmitted to the Department of State on 4 September, which was discussed on 5 September with Assistant Secretary Lucius Battle and his Deputy, Alfred Boerner. (b)(1)  
(b)(3)

4. This was discussed with the Chairman of the Board of AAI, Mr. Harold Hochschild, and with the President of AAI, Mr. Waldemar Nielsen, in Mr. Hochschild's office on 11 September by the undersigned and C/CA/S. This was agreeable to both Mr. Hochschild and Mr. Nielsen.

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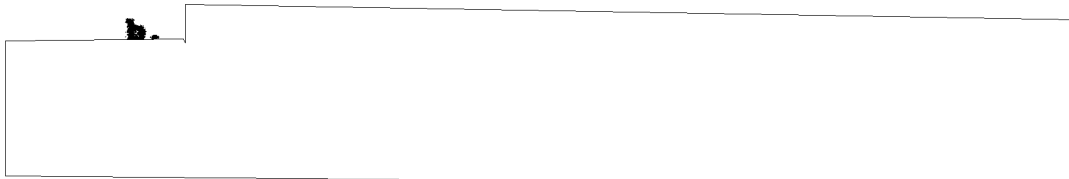
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**6. We therefore recommend:**

a. That we agree to transfer to AAI the balance of its 1963 budget, [redacted] by 1 November 1962 with the understanding that after that date CIA will have no further responsibility - financial or otherwise - for the AAI;

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b. [redacted]



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(b)(3)

c. That we proceed to terminate the AAI project in accordance with its administrative plan.

(SIGNED) EMMONS B. BROWN

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AC/CA**

**RECOMMEND APPROVAL:**

(Signed) Bronson Tweedy

C/AF

/s/ Charles D. Hammassinas

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**APPROVED:**

(Signed) Richard Helms

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