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SUBJECT

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REFERENCE

OND-897-66, CHIGOE-USN Coordination

Meeting

B. OSA-1198-66, CHIGOE Support

- 1. Reference A is notification of a meeting called by the CHIGOE Program Manager for 1400 hours, 25 March 1966. This is to prepare an agenda for another meeting to be held at Patuxent River Naval Air Station on Monday, 28 March 1966.
- 2. I wish to emphasize again that OSA will support ORD in its effort to "prove the concept" with one aircraft. We will also plan for development of a CHIGOE capability, based on the data gleaned from the ORD program. The continuation of any OSA program to achieve a low altitude multi-sensor capability depends directly on the success or failure of this ORD task and the subsequent allocation of responsibility and funds.
- program. Likewise, ORA has been directed to plan the follow-on operational employment as an Agency-funded and Agency-controlled capability. OSA Program Plans for FY 1968 include an estimate of some \$45 million.to develop and employ a suitable airframe with a multi-sensor array. All the CHIGOF items which would normally be funded by NRO are now assumed to be included in the Agency budget requests.
- 4. The first phase of CHIGOK, the development, test and "proof of concept" with the single SP2H aircraft now at LTV, is to be funded solely by ORD. They have, however, requested OBA assistance in getting some supplies and assistance from other government sources such as the USAF. I desire that we make every effort to do so without any exchange of funds, if possible. If such services and equipment cannot, for good and sufficient reason, be acquired without payment

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then OSA and CRD will seek other means of procurement.

- 5. The U.S. Navy has agreed to support the first phase, and presumably the follow-on project, assuming both come to fruition. The Navy will need some specific guidance as to specific tasks, services and materials which will be required for both the first phase and the OSA follow-on phase.
- 6. Programs Staff will, for the time being, be the focal point for coordination with ORD, but I desire that ether ORA elements be thoroughly familiar with CHIGOE and that they respend to the CHIGOE Program Manager, as their capabilities dictate.
 - a. Programs Staff will maintain a historical record and will represent OSA at CHIGOE Meetings.
 - b. Materiel Division will assist in logistics, maintenance and supply planning and procurement within the above ground rules.
 - c. Contracts Division will administer CHISCE contracts on request from OED and with GED funds.
 - d. Security Staff will provide security guidance and control in accordance with previous arrangements.
 - e. Deputy for Field Activities will provide operational planning, support and guidance as well as communications assistance either directly to the Program Manager or through Programs Staff as appropriate.
- 7. Addressees are requested to provide representatives to attend the 25 March meeting with OND and there to provide a coordinated input to the CHIGOR Program Manager and to the Programs Staff representative. The latter will attend the 28 March meeting as the ONA representative and will advise ONA elements of the schedule of tanks which result.

(Signed) Jack C. Ledford

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