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30 March 1966

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: CHIGOE Status Briefing

1. At the request of OSA, [] briefed the DD/SA and other OSA personnel on the current status of CHIGOE. This meeting was convened to resolve some of the uncertainties vis-a-vis OSA participation in CHIGOE, and in particular, the first phase of this project. (b)(3)

2. [] that the DD/S&T had decided to contract with LTV for modification of the aircraft and installation of the sensor array, and because of the expense involved in a wholly Agency-supported program, to solicit U.S. Navy support. (b)(3)

3. As a result of the 4 March meeting at Main Navy and the 28 March meeting at NATC, Patuxent River, the Navy appears to be willing to support the CHIGOE development effort. [] is now looking to the Navy for support except for any peculiar items or services which OSA is better able to provide. These are assumed to include such things as procurement of USAF items and communications services for Z.I. cable traffic. (b)(3)

4. The Navy is proceeding into the CHIGOE program on the basis of verbal agreements and a generous amount of good faith on both sides, Navy and Agency. The DD/SA aptly described the disadvantages of a formal agreement between the Agency and the Navy; therefore we will not seek or need any such enabling document.

5. [] will brief Gen. Geary on Tuesday, 5 April, and at that time he will request whatever support the USAF can provide. This should clear the way for Materiel Division to request USAF support for CHIGOE. Col. Patterson will attend this briefing. (b)(3)

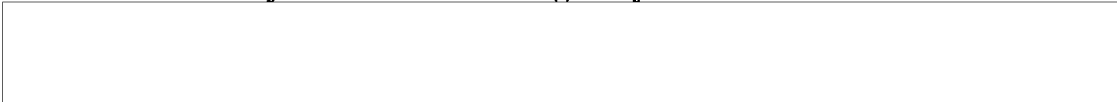
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6. CHIGOE security will be controlled and administered by OSA so long as the SP2H aircraft is at LTV. Once it leaves (July 1966) security responsibility will revert to the Navy. The only remaining interest of OSA will be to protect Agency association with this development and the possibility of a follow-on system under Agency auspices. OSA will maintain security cognizance over those persons in the Navy who now know, or who in the future may know of the Agency connection to CHIGOE.

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7. A communications link will be set up between Hq, Main Navy (REWSON), Patuxent River and LTV. Message traffic will funnel through Hq Communications control and communications security control will remain with OSA.

8. The follow-on program will depend on the success of the "proof-of-concept", CHIGOE I. OSA will be privy to CHIGOE I data and will plan CHIGOE II as an OSA development. D/SA will assign responsibility for initial CHIGOE II planning as soon as possible. D/FA recommended that he begin such planning without delay. An airframe selection board should be established as the first step.

9. Summary of additional items of interest:

a. ORD will deal directly with USN for logistics support.

b. Materiel Division will coordinate USAF support as requested by ORD.

c. Materiel Division will attempt to get a Minneapolis-Honeywell radar altimeter for [redacted]. (He has funds to purchase it.)

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d. [redacted] will seek camera, film and processing advice from OSA.

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e. ECM equipment will be purchased through LTV.

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f. CHIGOE II operational requirements and design study objectives need to be defined as soon as possible.

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