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MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant to the Executive

THRU: The Comptroller

SUBJECT: Revision of T/O

1. This office has been engaged in assisting the development and planning of covert operations by advising on various legal aspects. I have detailed one member of the Legal Staff to work permanently with the Coordination and Contract Unit, which will be attached to the Comptroller's office. Another lawyer, [REDACTED] was recently transferred from OPC to SSS to assist in drafting on contract problems. It appears that this is primarily legal work and, I believe, [REDACTED] should be on the Legal Staff's T/O.

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2. The increased volume of this type of work has developed an urgent need for an expert in corporation and business law. I have no one on my Staff with the desired background and experience, nor have I a sufficient number of lawyers to detail any more to assist in this particular type of work. I have in mind an outstanding prospect for recruitment and wish to proceed therewith as expeditiously as possible.

3. In view of the above, I strongly recommend an increase in the T/O of the Legal Staff by two positions -- one position for [REDACTED] at a GS-12, and one to hold against recruitment tentatively set at a GS-12.

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4. I would like the recommendations of the officers concerned on providing stenographic assistance for this work.

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