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MEMORANDUM FOR: The Comptroller

SUBJECT : Removing Limitations on Advice of Allocation No. A-4-1

1. Reference is made to subject advice dated 30 December 1948 and to the several conversations that have been held with respect to the document. The Deputy Director Plans (Director Development Planning Staff) has requested that:

(A) Your attention be invited to his responsibility to the DCI to determine the best methods and effect processes in the broad field of intelligence gathering devices and

(B) Advise you that the limitations placed on the funds mentioned in subject document should be removed.

2. The Director DPS is of the opinion that funding flexibility must exist if his responsibilities to the DCI are to be successfully discharged. This position was pointed up to and approved by the DCI in paragraph 5 of communication dated 12 August 1948, further identified by DPS No. 3074. It is believed copy number 2 of this document was furnished you.

3. The DE/P (DPS) is not unmindful of the fact that budgetary discussions, for ease of explanations and understandings, have been held by tasks and sub-projects and he readily sees how these discussions could have resulted in limitations being imposed against the funds at the time they were apportioned. But since these limitations, in his view, will create an undue hardship in accomplishment of his assigned functions, the limitations should be eliminated.

4. For your ready information, the limitations have not at this point been a problem. Our commitments and obligations to date have been carried forward within the moneys apportioned for each task or sub-project. It is not expected that any problem will result in this respect for the next 30 to 60 days. However, the removal of these limitations should be accomplished at the earliest convenient date to guard against holding up contractual instruments and endeavors of suppliers until funds are apportioned differently.

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Comptroller, DPD-DE/P

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- 3 - DE/P (thru Dir Adm & DepDir Adm, DPD-DE/P)
- 4 - A-4-1 (Fin thru JAF)
- 5 - Contracting Off, DPD-DE/P
- 6 - Reading (Fin)

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