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31 October 1950

MEMORANDUM FOR: PARTICIPATING MEMBERS OF THE STANDING COMMITTEE
OF THE IAC: STATE, ARMY, NAVY, AIR FORCE, AEC, JIG

SUBJECT: Foreign Economic Intelligence Requirements Relating
to the National Security

ENCLOSURE: Paper entitled "Foreign Economic Intelligence
Requirements Relating to the National Security,"
dated 11 October 1950 (Copies)

1. The attached document is a preliminary statement by the Central Intelligence Agency of the Government's foreign economic intelligence requirements relating to the national security.
2. This document has been prepared as the first stage of compliance with National Security Council Action No. 282, the terms of which are contained in the document's preface, Section I, paragraph A, page i.
3. This document is forwarded herewith to be used as a basis of collaboration between CIA and the other Government departments and agencies concerned for:
 - a. Validating the substance of such requirements and insuring that all significant fields are covered.
 - b. Expanding certain categories of requirements relating to specific agency responsibilities.
 - c. Arriving at a final statement of requirements which can be utilized to assess the adequacy of existing facilities and arrangements, and to provide the foundation for a comprehensive plan for satisfying such requirements.
4. This statement of foreign economic intelligence requirements has been drafted without regard for the relative adequacy of existing facilities, a survey of which is now in progress. It is desired that your consideration of these requirements proceed with the same disregard, inasmuch as a definitive, rather than conditioned, statement of requirements should be used as a basis for assessing the adequacy of existing facilities and arrangements and for planning.

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5. In view of the scope of this document, it seems advisable to have a meeting with the Standing Committee to discuss the general approach which has guided its formulation prior to further action by the respective IAC agencies on points 1a and 1b above. Accordingly, it is requested that you come prepared to discuss the document with Central Intelligence Agency representatives at 1400 hours, 7 November, in the Director's Conference Room, Administration Building, 2430 E Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

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Coordination, Operations
and Policy Staff

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Copies of this memorandum to the following, who will attend the meeting as additional members for this purpose:

Mr. Barringer, Office of the Secretary of Defense
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