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INTELLIGENCE WORKING GROUP

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Security Control Staff, I & S

Att: [REDACTED] 25X1A9a
Room 1050, I Building

SUBJECT: Security Clearance for IWG

1. Attached are two copies of the current membership list of IWG, with an indication by red check mark of those members on whom the IWG Secretariat holds copies of security clearance issued by parent agencies.

2. You will note that such papers are not available for:

Lt. Col. Donald C. Wilson - OSD
Major W. J. Phillips - G-2
Mr. Robert Reiss - Commerce
Miss Helen A. Lincoln - EDS, State
Mr. Douglas Coster - EDS, State

3. The name of Lt. Col. Wilson, however, is presumably included in the OSD letter of 27 March 1953 from George J. Gould, Director, Security Division, addressed to Colonel Edwards. A member of Major Phillips office (Major Brinson) informed me by telephone of the contents of a clearance on Major Phillips, which already has been dispatched to this office. Mr. Reiss is cleared for the EDAC structure and a formal clearance from Commerce on him is expected shortly. You are familiar with the situation regarding Miss Lincoln and Mr. Coster.

4. Concerning non-IWG members of IWG Subgroups, I furnished you this morning with the names of Mr. Edward Fried and Miss Marion Worthing, both of OIR, State, and that of Mr. Richard M. Kirby, Division of Foreign Reporting, State. The only other persons in this category on whom clearance is required are the following:

Mr. Hunter Robinson - OSD (presumably, on the 27 March letter, supra)
Mr. Harold Pollak - Treasury
Mr. Nathan Habib - MSA
Mrs. Marie Evans Bucy - DMS
Mrs. Ann C. Holmes - Commerce
Mr. Edward Ames - Federal Reserve (cleared for CIA information, only)

All of the above-listed persons, with the exception of Messrs. Robinson and Ames, have been called this morning and requested to furnish statements of agency security clearance. All have promised to do so, with the exception

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of Mr. Habib, who in view of pending re-assignment of NSA personnel to interagency committees, has requested that he be permitted to defer submission of such a statement of clearance. Each person has been asked to submit an original and two copies of the statement, one copy of which will be forwarded to you and one to Mr. Armentrout.

5. I believe that the above information brings up-to-date the security clearance situation in IWG. As soon as you have had an opportunity to check the attached membership list against your records, I will be happy to forward copies of those clearance statements not now in your files. 25X1A9 [redacted] informed me a few minutes ago that he was sending two copies of the 27 March letter from OSD.

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Executive Secretary

Attachment

2 copies, IWG Membership List, 28 May 1953

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