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31 JUL 1959

MEMORANDUM FOR: The Director of Training

SUBJECT: Proposed Contingency Force
Training Program

1. The attached Tab A is for information. Tab B is for OTR's consideration and appropriate action.

2. In the meeting of 16 July 1959, in the A/DD/P/P's office, it was agreed that the training proposals of [REDACTED] manpower study would be forwarded to OTR for appropriate further study and recommendation.

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3. Tab A, attached, is forwarded as a matter of information as it reflects the range of operational specialists that might be required to provide a ready capability to cope with any of the situations defined in the [REDACTED] Limited Warfare concept paper. Separate position descriptions have been drafted to provide criteria and responsibilities for each of the position titles. The concerned components of DDS have or are preparing, in coordination with PP/PMD, similar titles and description in order to provide a composite force. It is recognized that for training purposes and in most actual operations many of these positions will have to be combined.

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4. The problem of training CIA staff personnel appears to be in three parts:

- a. The initial training of young officers thereby developing depth in manpower capability and fulfilling the requirements for replacements in the basic FM skills;
- b. the provision of refresher training for previously trained and experienced personnel thereby updating their proficiency in the basic skills;
- c. the apparent need for special training in task force operations.

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5. The most pressing need in terms of improving the capability to cope with contingency situations concerns b. and c. above. While the need for improving the a. part of the problem is apparent, it is recognized that the real issue here is one of stimulating an interest in such training. In this respect, it is believed that the proper handling of the b. and c. requirements would not only provide an improved ready contingency capability but would also stimulate an interest among younger officers in this kind of activity.

6. This Staff will endeavor to work closely with OTR in trying to improve both the participation and the substance of training courses in the basic PM field. The attached Tab B, however, provides a specific proposal for a special training program to fulfill the needs expressed above under b. and c. Mr. [REDACTED] PP/PMD, extension 4611, will be available to discuss the details of this proposal with your Staff.

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Acting Chief
Psychological and Paramilitary Staff

Attachments: Tab A
Tab B

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