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MEMORANDUM FOR 

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Subject: Reorganization of Central Intelligence Group

1. The Director of Central Intelligence desires to inform the Intelligence Advisory Board of a prospective change in the organization and functions of the Interdepartmental Coordinating and Planning Staff in view of the fact that the entire membership of ICAPS, other than clerical, is provided by IAB agencies.

2. During the past year of operational experience, the initial liaison and planning function of ICAPS has been so well implemented that its work requirements have considerably diminished. The broad operational direction of CIG operations has been generally determined, and the coordination and establishment of liaison at working levels generally accomplished. Operating offices have increased in efficiency and have trained personnel to the extent that they now take a more active and positive part in inter-departmental coordinating and planning activities.

3. a. IAB agency representation has been well established in the operating offices, and broader representation is to be provided.

b. Recent reorganization has provided for a high level military advisory group in the Office of Reports and Estimates which produces our final intelligence product. It is intended that this group will insure proper consideration of Army, Navy, and Air Force policies and requirements in connection with this product. This personnel can also be consulted on overall military matters.

c. A senior level of military representation is also provided in the Office of Collection and Dissemination.

d. The senior representatives in each Office will continue to maintain adequate liaison with the agencies from which detailed.

4. The Office of Coordination and Liaison Control is being established to replace ICAPS. This office will be headed by a nominee of the Department of State, who will report to the Director. The functions of this Office are:

(1) Advises the Director on overall problems and policies pertaining to inter-departmental operational coordination and liaison control, and maintains liaison with the National Security Council in connection therewith.

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(2) Provides the Director's representation on all IAB ad hoc committees, utilizing members of the military advisory group when necessary.

(3) Arranges for and supervises inter-departmental coordination in connection with operational planning for the collection, production and dissemination of intelligence and intelligence information, including the participation of appropriate CIG agencies.

(4) Controls, and recommends policies governing operational liaison and initiates external contacts in connection therewith.

5. It is planned to maintain a reasonable departmental balance, both in the immediate office of the Director and other pertinent CIG activities, by continuing to make provision for personnel to be detailed from the IAB agencies. New ceilings are being determined, and each agency will be notified in the near future of proposed ceilings. It is not intended, however, that specific positions will be established for permanent occupancy by specific agency representatives. Vacant positions for which nominations are requested will be sufficiently described to enable intelligent selection by agencies. This procedure is essential to insure that personnel may become fully indoctrinated prior to assuming responsibility for important duties with this Agency, and to provide the Director with sufficient assignment flexibility to maintain reasonable equality in departmental representation.

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