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13 November 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: "Financial Disaster" Benefits

1. Jack Coffey, ADDS, called a meeting on 12 November 1970 to discuss a DCI request to investigate the possibility of extending the Agency's hospitalization benefits program to assist employees faced with financial disaster resulting from continuing, huge medical payments. In attendance at the meeting were Dr. John Tietjen, Director of Medical Services, [redacted] EO-DDS, [redacted] Chief/Insurance Branch, [redacted] Administrative Officer/DDS and the undersigned.

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2. The Director would like the Agency to implement, if possible, a program of medical benefits similar to, for instance, the military system whereby employees and dependents have access to medical treatment and care on a continuing basis. [redacted] was asked to check Agency records to determine how many financial disaster cases there have been. The Office of General Counsel will check on whether other civil service agencies have financial disaster benefits or, if not, have ever attempted to obtain such benefits through legislation.

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3. [redacted] will act as coordinator of the financial disaster study group, which will meet next on 17 November 1970 to discuss existing Agency benefits and to broach ideas for consideration.

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