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13 June 1956

MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Support)

SUBJECT: Expansion of Record Center [redacted]
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- REFERENCES:
- (a) Submission of Project Providing for Construction of an Agency Record Center dated 25 Jan 54 (ER 5-1817)
 - (b) Memo to Ch/Management Staff fr Ch/Records Management Staff dated 14 May 56
 - (c) Memo to Ch/Management Staff fr Ch/Records Management Staff dated 25 May 56

1. This memorandum contains recommendations submitted for DD/S approval. Such recommendations are contained in paragraph 7.

2. By reference (a) a project outline was approved by the Director on 24 March 1954 to provide 21,290 square feet of storage space and authorized the expenditure of [redacted] for the construction work and the preparation of plans and specifications. Included in this project outline as approved was the anticipated expansion of 60,000 to 70,000 square feet within the next 10 to 20 years.

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3. The construction of the Record Center was completed April 1955 at a total cost of [redacted] and was occupied by the Record Center on 20 April 1955. This building as constructed provides [redacted] square feet of overall floor space of which only [redacted] square feet is available for the actual storage of records.

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4. During the past year of occupancy the rate of which inactive records have been and are being received is more than twice anticipated expansion as originally planned. The net increase in storage requirements, taking into consideration the destruction program, indicates that the existing building space available for storage of additional records will be exhausted by April 1957. These facts were presented to you informally by reference (b) and (c) which contain more detailed information and are attached herewith for your information.

5. As a result of the above, it is essential to construct additional storage space for these inactive records to be available not later than April 1957, if possible, since no other adequate space is available for this purpose.

Appendix B

6. Due to the urgency of the situation, I have contacted the Real Estate and Construction Division of Logistics for advice and recommendations. They estimated the A&E costs to be \$17,200 and the construction cost to be [redacted] It was their recommendation that A&E funds be made available at once for preparation of plans and specifications if occupancy of the completed structure was required by April 1957, since delays may occur due to weather conditions usually experienced by contractors during winter months.

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7. It is therefore recommended that advanced approval of this project for the addition of 30,000 square feet be given in principle and that 1956 fiscal year funds, not to exceed \$17,200 be authorized immediately for the award of an A&E contract to prepare plans and specifications. No difficulty is expected by the office of Real Estate and Construction, Office of Logistics in obligating these funds. A detailed project outline requesting authority and funds for the construction work will be submitted in the near future.

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/s/ [redacted]
Chief, Management Staff

Enclosures:
References (b) and (c)

CONCURRENCES:

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*/s/ E. R. Saunders
Comptroller 25X1

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* [redacted] has included [redacted] for the proposed construction in their 1958 budget.

/s/ James A. Garrison
Director of Logistics

15 June 1956
Date

The recommendations in paragraph 7 are approved:
June 18, 1956 /s/ H.Gates Lloyd
for L.K. WHITE
Deputy Director
(Support)