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DIARY NOTES

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1. I talked with Jim Garrison about the Arcade Sunshine Building and told him not to put anymore pressure on the General Services Administration until the first of next week at which time I hope to have a better idea as to whether the Photographic Intelligence Center is actually going to expand on the scale which was previously contemplated. H

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2. [REDACTED] was up to see me about the possibility of inducing the [REDACTED]. I asked him to 25X1A6a prepare a paper which I could use as a basis for a discussion at the Deputies' Meeting and to check it out with the EE Division before sending it up. He telephoned later to say that EE had taken over the problem and he, [REDACTED] was entirely happy to 25X1A9a have it handled in this manner.

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3. I asked [REDACTED] to review again the request that we detail to the National Security Agency an electronics engineer to take care of the KY-5 which the Office of Scientific Intelligence wants installed. He will make his recommendations to me in a day or two.

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4. Matt Baird advised me that they had just received an estimate of \$120,000 from the [REDACTED] to develop language tests for us. Inasmuch as many other Agencies in the Government will benefit from these tests, Matt feels that they should contribute. However, they do not seem to be very enthusiastic about doing so. I told him to go ahead and try to obtain contributions and to get himself in a position to move fast late in the Fiscal Year if, in fact, we do decide to go forward with this project. 25X1A9a

5. Gordon Stewart, [REDACTED] gave me a statistical presentation on the age and grade structure for the Administration and Security Career Services. I was very much impressed with their presentation and feel that it is a service which should be rendered for all of the Career Services. I will mention this at my Staff Meeting on Wednesday and arrange for a presentation to the DD/S Office Heads on 1 June.

6. John Tietjen talked to me about sending a letter to the [REDACTED] by ex-25X1A pressing our appreciation for their cooperation in developing a dehydrated ration. I told him I thought that the Director would be glad to sign this. Another problem which he has is how to pay [REDACTED] for some packaging equipment which they would have to set up if we ordered some of these rations in quantity. I told him that I foresaw no problem in this and that we could solve it through normal contracting procedures if and when we actually decided to place an order. 25X1A

7. Gordon Stewart telephoned to express some reservation as to whether he should go to [REDACTED] next week. In view of the fact that it will be important to build up Emmett

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██████████ in the eyes of our guests, I told him that I would like to think this over and would let him know. I am inclined to think, however, that both of them should go.

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8. ██████████ were up to brief me on Project ██████████. They all feel that support planning and actions are up with, if not ahead of ██████████ operations at this point ~~and~~ time.

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9. At the Management Briefing today:

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a. ██████████ told me that the Telephone Section of the Office of Logistics is going to have to have an increase of eight people. Only one of this number is required because of the satellite switchboard arrangement for the new building and the other seven are required to take care of the normal workload. I put quite a bit of pressure on Lucile, since she has been in Logistics for almost a year, to tell me where I was going to make compensating cuts. She believes that there may be savings as a result of organizational changes which she eventually expects to propose; however, she cannot identify them now. It was interesting to hear her say that her hunch was that Printing Services Division was the softest spot in Logistics as far as strength is concerned at this particular time. This is in contrast to their position of about two years ago following a complete survey of PSD workload.

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b. ██████████ called my attention to the fact that there are now some 293 thermofax or similar reproduction machines in the Agency as compared to approximately 150 a year ago. This raises the question in my mind as to whether there should not be some control over requisitions for this type of equipment. At the moment PSD exercises whatever control is usually necessary and the Management Staff is not brought into it at all. In this connection, the Agency spent \$173,000 last year for thermofax paper alone.

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10. I talked to Jim Garrison about PIC's requisition for a \$37,000 model audio visual film card unit and a memorandum signed by ██████████ saying that this requisition had been cleared with the Management Staff which statement was not correct. There is a question in my mind as to whether this piece of equipment should not be brought under scrutiny and I have asked Jim to report to me on the status of the requisition.

11. I also talked to Jim Garrison about a PIC requisition for a Harris Printing Press at a cost of some \$17,000. I told him that I would like to have all of the facts on this with complete justification as to whether this work could not be done in the Administration Building Printing Reproduction Plant.

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12. I discussed with [REDACTED] the Inspector General's memorandum and his general attitude toward [REDACTED] Project Chief for [REDACTED]. He will look into this; but would certainly be reluctant to relieve [REDACTED] since he feels that he has done an excellent operational job in getting this base established and in operating condition. We agreed, however, that the new base chief should be instructed very carefully before he goes out in connection with the measures he should take to correct at least some of the present unsatisfactory situations.

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