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MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Secretary, CIA Management Committee

: DDI Comment on Report of IG Survey of OER SUBJECT

The DDI comment on the report of the IG survey of OER is completely responsive, both in terms of the general discussion of questions that did not result in formal recommendations and in the response to the two formal proposals that were made.

- 2. The new practice of preparing typescript reports of research, without subjecting the paper to the detailed review procedure for publication, should materially reduce the workload on the production machinery of the office. There is nothing wrong in OER doing research for its own reference -- writing its own reference library in a sense. Many complex economic problems take considerable time to research, and if certain work has been done in anticipation of requirements, it will strengthen the responsiveness of the office under the tighter deadlines that characterize much of the work that OER now does for its customers.
- 3. We note particularly the response to Recommendation No. 2. We realize the difficulty in developing reliable and useful evaluations from readers of the Agency's intelligence production. Our suggestion of an organized program of selective elicitation from consumers derived, in part, from the existence of OER's network of contacts in the community. The stated purpose of using this resource for this purpose is what we had in mind.

VIII am V. Broe Inspector General

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