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**FIFTEEN YEAR PLAN**

1. The Fifteen Year Plan has been established by the Director of Central Intelligence as a means of expressing US intelligence goals and programs for the period 1966 to 1980. When completed this plan will furnish the DCI and USIB the basis for reviewing and evaluating:

a. The general direction and goals of the total US intelligence effort for the next fifteen years, within the context of US national security interests during this period;

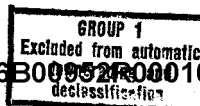
b. The programs which are proposed by USIB agencies over the next five years to meet expressed goals and the human and material resources required to implement these programs for each of the first five years;

c. The adequacy of proposed programs in meeting the goals and obligations facing US intelligence; and,

d. The effectiveness and efficiency of the Intelligence Community as now constituted to carrying out required programs.

2. It is necessary as a first step in preparing this plan to describe the world situation as it is likely to exist over the next fifteen years, and thus provide the basis for judgments concerning probable US national security interests and the general obligations of the US Intelligence Community during this period. This initial

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step, to be undertaken by the Board of National Estimates and expressed as Assumptions, will furnish basic guidance to planners in the establishment of intelligence goals and programs.

3. Contributors to the Fifteen Year Plan will also require guidance of a specialized nature to ensure that the projections of long-term intelligence goals and programs are made in light of existing and future intelligence needs. This guidance, expressed as Guidance to Planning will concern probable major technological developments and important considerations concerning intelligence tradecraft, methods, and systems and institutional (organizational and functional) matters likely to have a direct bearing on long-range intelligence planning.

4. The Fifteen Year Plan at the outset is not designed to establish an accounting of programs and human and material resources now available in the Intelligence Community. Rather, it will be the instrument for describing (a) major goals and emphasis in intelligence planning over the long-term (1966-1980) and (b) the major programs required to meet intelligence obligations of the next five years (1966-1970). Using Fiscal Year 1966 as the base with respect to (b) above, contributors will be required to describe any significant new programs required, or significant increases or decreases in existing programs, and the human and material resource requirements related to these programs.

5. A description of the proposed procedures to be followed in preparing the Fifteen Year Plan, illustrations of supporting materials and proposed formats for contributions are contained in the attachment.

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Outline of Plan for  
U.S. Intelligence Activities  
over the Next Fifteen Years

- I. Statement of basic role of intelligence in the U.S. Government, and specifically its responsibilities in support of the President.
- II. Estimate of world situation over the next fifteen years in terms which highlight the problems of intelligence.
- III. Statement of main intelligence objectives in light of estimated situation and trends.
- IV. Structuralization of effort in terms of philosophy of approach and conceptual scheme for translating indicated action to reality.

V. Statement of requirements deriving from the objectives (III) in the context of the conceptual approach (IV):

- a. Organizational
- b. Personnel
- c. Logistical

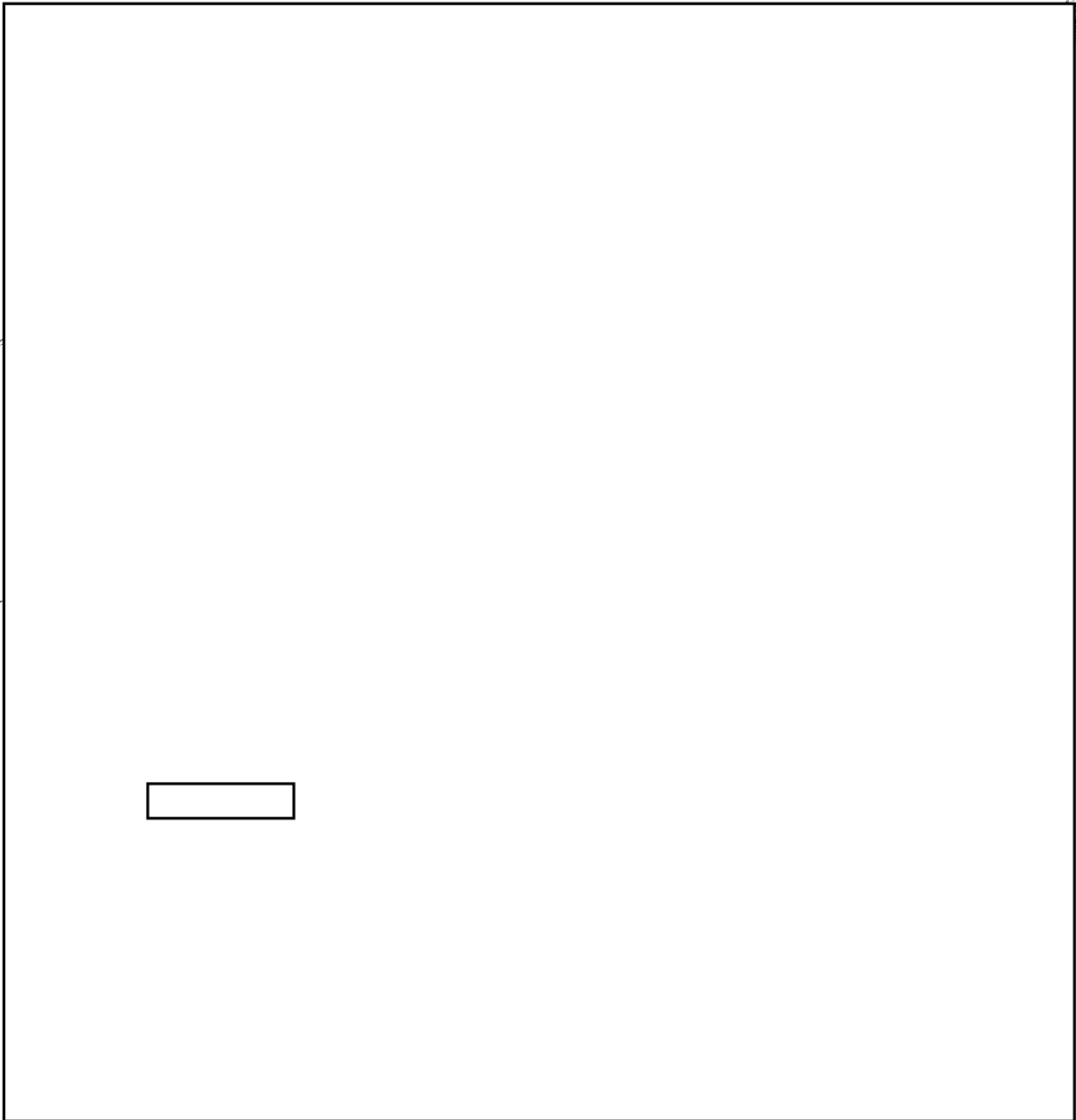
VI. Specific actions required to implement, including phasing as to time and the designation of action official.

OFFICE CONTRIBUTIONS

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. John Clarke

In response to your note on top of the final package received this morning, the following are DD/P requests:



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