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MEMORANDUM FOR: Comptroller

ATTENTION

: Mr. [redacted]

SUBJECT

: Justification for Use of the [redacted] the Language and Area School

REFERENCE

: Telephone call from Mr. [redacted] on Thursday, 11 April, requesting a written justification for OTR use of the [redacted] as a language training facility

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1. The Office of Training has a definite need for an external language training facility in which the students and instructors may work together on an intensive basis. At various stages of training, the students must live and breathe the foreign language under study on a 24-hours-a-day basis. This is especially true where students require familiarity with the nuances of the language and when the training is directly related to the students' projected assignment. The [redacted] in the vicinity of [redacted] is considered ideal as a language training facility because the accommodations are adequate, it is contiguous to the [redacted] which would facilitate logistic support, and it is sufficiently secluded to permit the rotation of student groups without arousing undue curiosity in the neighborhood or creating attendant security problems.

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2. OTR experience has demonstrated that language students can achieve rapid improvement in language use and much greater fluency through participation in extended and intensive language exercises, particularly when these exercises are conducted in an environment of relative seclusion from English-speaking people and in surroundings which offer variety from the usual classroom situation. During the past six months, the Language and Area School has conducted three such exercises as special features of regular full-time, intensive language courses.

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3. It is now planned to include this type of instruction as an element in all intensive (full-time) and semi-intensive (half-time) courses. Students in these programs will participate in scheduled exercises at intervals of approximately three months. Each exercise will vary in duration according to the level of proficiency of the students.

4. On the basis of the number of exercises to be included in the scheduled and projected courses offered by the Language and Area School, a continuing requirement for the use of a separate language training facility is foreseen.

5. The Office of Training does not have a facility of this type available at the present time. Facilities previously utilized in the Metropolitan Area have been terminated for security and other reasons.

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