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Research, Development and Production Review Board

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I. Meeting #62 of the Research, Development and Production Review Board was held in the OC Conference Room at 1430 hours on 7 November 1956. The following persons were in attendance:

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II. 1. [Redacted] introduced [Redacted] to the members of the Board and explained that they were visiting to become acquainted with Office of Communications procedures in establishing research and development programs. [Redacted] outlined the routine of the Office of Communications Research, Development and Production Review Board in:

- a. Its association with the DD/P Materiel Board,
- b. Its control of development within the Office of Communications,
- c. Its capacity as advisor to the Director of Communications, and
- d. Its function as a forum for the evaluation of ideas for research and development.

2. [Redacted] demonstrated the [Redacted] receiver and explained its general operation.

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III. Under Agenda Item I-1, Old Business:

The Minutes of Meeting #61 were approved by the Board.

IV. Under Agenda Item I-2, Old Business:

[Redacted] reviewed the status of the 100/500 watt transmitter program with respect to the need for further procurement or development. [Redacted] amplified [Redacted] discussion by pointing out that we really need a more easily maintained, more modern type of transmitter. Considerable discussion followed in which the needs for agency stock versus the stock pile program were outlined. The discussion concluded with the recommendation that the Engineering Division continue to monitor development and production in this field and that the Policy and Planning Staff and the Operations and Training Division jointly prepare a recommendation which reconciles transmitter requirements for stock and the stock pile program.

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V. Under Agenda Item I-3, Old Business:

Following a review of the discussion of the ASF-4 security classification covered by meeting #61, [Redacted] pointed out the physical security requirements necessary for "Secret" and "Confidential" equipment. The merits of various systems for meeting these requirements were debated. [Redacted] suggested, however, that at the present we limit our decisions to that of equipment classification and not concern the Board with the details for accomplishing physical security. [Redacted] moved that the ASF-4 technique, instruction books and schematic diagrams retain the classification of "Secret, Not Releasable to Foreign Nationals" but that the assembled equipment be classified "Confidential, Not Releasable to Foreign Nationals". [Redacted] seconded the motion which was then unanimously approved by the Board. [Redacted] asked that physical handling instructions as related to Base Station installation be prepared for OC-E and field guidance by OC-O&T.

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VI. Under Agenda Item I-4, Old Business:

[Redacted] presented a staff study for the development and fabrication of the transportable signal center van which he stated was the result of the joint efforts of operational and engineering personnel. The cost of each trailer was estimated at \$25,000. After a brief discussion, the Board recommended that two prototype units be fabricated by the [Redacted] for operational testing.

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VII. Under Agenda Item II-1, New Business:

The staff study recommending the internal development and fabrication of the AT-3 automatic tape printer was presented to the Board for consideration. The Board accepted the staff study recommendation adding that up to six prototypes should be fabricated to meet present operation requirements if this would result in no substantial delay to the program.

VIII. Under Agenda Item II-2, New Business:

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[Redacted] outlined the present status of the ASF-4 development, pointing out that a program was now in progress to train technicians in the installation and maintenance of the equipment. The installation and evaluation plans were discussed.

IX. The meeting adjourned at 1640 hours. The next meeting of the Ideas and Requirements Panel will be held on 21 November 1956 at 1430 hours and the next regular meeting will be held on 5 December 1956.

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- [Redacted]
- Members and those in attendance listed in Paragraph I
- R&D Internal Projects
- R&D External Projects

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