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**MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Planning, Programming and Budgeting**

**ATTENTION :**

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**SUBJECT : Summary Report on Agency Training in Counterinsurgency**

1. CIA's authority and responsibility for conducting training in counter-insurgency are contained in  25X1A  
 March 1962. These directives require that CIA train its personnel in the following aspects of Counterinsurgency: a) history of subversive insurgency movements; b) Agency tactics and techniques to counter insurgency; c) contributions of other U.S. agencies to counter insurgency; d) the threat posed by Communist party ideology and organizational practices to U.S. national security; e) situation-assessment and evaluation of overseas internal security situations; f) program planning and implementation for countering insurgency; and g) study of the Overseas Internal Defense Policy Paper. The directives also require that CIA offer training as appropriate to selected foreign nationals.

2. While the principal Agency course in Counterinsurgency is the  25X1A  
 which is compulsory for all Career Trainees entering on duty with the Clandestine Services, most elements noted in paragraph 1 above are covered in varying degrees in seventeen additional courses offered by the Agency. These courses and the aspects covered are (keyed to paragraph 1 above):

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- Vietnam Orientation Seminar - a, b, d
- Counterintelligence Operations - a, b, d, e

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Counterintelligence Familiarization - a, b, d, e  
International Communism - a, d  
Communist Party Operations - a, b, d  
Communist Party and Anti-Communist Operations - a, b, d

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In Fiscal Year 1966, a total of [Redacted] took the above courses. In addition, the Agency in Fiscal Year 1966 sent sixty officers to the National Interdepartmental Seminar, which offers intensive study of the above aspects of Counterinsurgency, and the CIA Military Reserve Program put on two two-week active duty courses, to wit, Counterinsurgency and Intelligence in Counterinsurgency. In Fiscal Year 1966, 218 officers took this training. Also, in Fiscal Year 1966, [Redacted] selected foreign nationals were given training in various aspects of counterinsurgency by CIA [Redacted] facility. In addition, twenty-two foreign nationals and seven Agency officers were afforded training relevant to the counterinsurgency program at the International Police Academy.

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3. The Committee II of the Taylor Review Board offered the following relevant conclusions in its report to President Johnson in late 1965:

A. The Agency has an excellent program for providing Counterinsurgency training for its personnel at all career levels;

B. Within the scope of this review there are no recommendations to improve the Counterinsurgency training currently being conducted by CIA.

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for John Richardson  
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