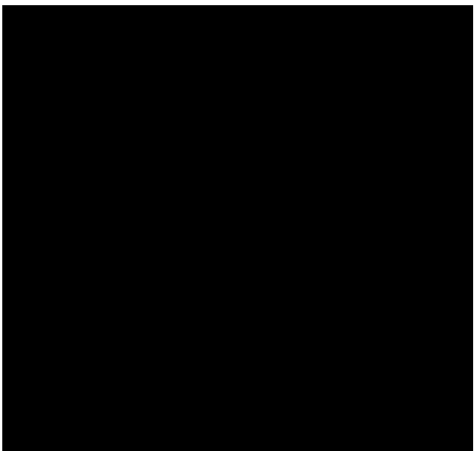


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EQUIPMENT BOARD
MINUTES

Meeting Number 1-64 of the Equipment Board was held on 9 January 1964 in the OC Conference Room, 2D03, Headquarters Building. Those present were:



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I. OLD BUSINESS

None

II. NEW BUSINESS

A. Agenda Item No. 1: Procurement of RS-49 Equipment

1. Introduction

Prior to the meeting OC-OS had submitted a memorandum to Board Members requesting Board approval for the procurement of RS-49 equipment in the following quantities:

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	Estimated	Estimated
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2. Discussion

Discussion revolved primarily around the justification and need for procurement of the above equipment in the quantities requested by OC-OS. It was brought out that the above quantities were coordinated with the Technical Requirements Board earlier as a result of which the Office has received a memorandum signed by the Deputy Director (Plans) approving, for planning purposes, the above quantities. However, it is necessary that the Office again submit a memorandum to the Technical Requirements Board for final approval before obligating funds for the procurement of this equipment.

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A question was asked concerning the relative roles that the RS-49 and RS-100 would play in our operations. It was brought out that production RS-100s are probably two years away; that the RS-100 is a considerably heavier and more rugged set which is intended primarily [redacted] whereas the RS-49 is basically a strategic type of set. However, because of its light weight the RS-49 will undoubtedly be used, properly packaged, for many tactical type operations. In fact, until the RS-100 becomes available it is expected that the RS-49 will be utilized in many operations which formerly used RS-1 equipment. To demonstrate the relative weight and size of the RS-49 and RS-100, an RS-49 and a mockup of the RS-100 were shown to the Board. It was also brought out that over the past 16 months [redacted] RS-1 sets have been issued in [redacted] alone. While past experience proves it is impossible to predict future rate of use of the many clandestine items, it was generally agreed that [redacted] RS-49s are certainly not an excessive number. 25X1C

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The subject of whether or not the military should be asked whether they want to participate in procurement of the RS-49 at this time was next discussed. This was generally opposed because of the delay that would necessarily be involved in waiting for the military to determine whether or not they want this set plus the additional delays which invariably result from joint procurement action. However, the services have been briefed on the RS-49 and they will be supplied sets for evaluation as soon as our stocks permit. Because of the possibility of military procurement, the recommendation was made and agreed to that when bids are solicited on the RS-49 they should be in quantities of 1500, 1000, 500 and 300.

It was also brought out during discussion that procurement of coders, keyers and cartridges for 300 RP-49 transmitters would involve the additional expenditure of approximately \$325,000.00.

3. Board Action

Noting that procurement would be subject to final TRS approval, the Board unanimously concurred in the procurement of RS-49 equipment in the quantities requested by OC-OS.

B. Agenda Item No. 2: Procurement of RS-54 Equipment.

1. Introduction

In a memorandum which had been submitted to Board Members prior to the meeting, OC-OS requested Board approval to procure 300 RS-54 transceivers. The estimated unit cost of the receiver is \$480.00 and the estimated total cost for 300 receivers is \$144,000.00

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