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October 6, 1952

The Honorable Frederick J. Lawton, Director The Bureau of the Budget

Dear Mr. Lawton:

I have the honor to submit herewith on behalf of the Psychological Strategy Board the annual estimates of the amounts required to finance the operations of the staff of the Board for the current fiscal year 1953 and for fiscal year 1954. The 1953 estimates have been revised in detail from these approved by the Bureau of the Budget in December 1951 although the total remains the same.

The amount estimates for fiscal year 1954 is has authorized me to submit this amount for your review and approval.

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The Psychological Strategy Board was created by means of a Directive of the President, dated April 1, 1951. This Directive specified in general terms the functions of the Board and its membership, and also provided for the appointment by the President of a Director with responsibility, within the limits of funds and personnel made available by the Board for this purpose, for organizing and directing a staff to assist him in carrying out its other responsibilities as specified in the Directive.

The experience of the Psychological Strategy Board in operating under this Directive was intensively analyzed and reported on by the Bureau of the Budget in a report to the President, dated April 21, 1952. On June 21, 1952, the President transmitted this report by memorandum to the Chairman of the Psychological Strategy Board, commending certain sections of the report to the netice of the Board and concurring in the view of the Bureau of the Budget that no change in the Directive or organization of the Board should be made at that time.

The Board has noted this report and the President's views thereon, and it is my privilege to report that certain principal recommendations of the report have already been put into effect. Other recommendations will be carried out as circumstances permit.

As in previous years, the Psychological Strategy Board will again not require any direct appropriations. Its financial requirements are met by contributions from the member agencies as authorized by the President's Directive and the terms of the revised Agreement among the member agencies for the financial and administrative support of the Psychological Strategy Board, effective July 1, 1952.

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The estimates submitted herewith contemplate the maintenance of a total employment of 73 in fiscal year 1953 and 74 in fiscal year 1954. These are maximum figures and would average somewhat less due to lapses.

It is expected that we will continue to adhere to our policy of drawing our professional staff largely from the member agencies in order that these agencies may make their most effective contrabution to the work of the staff, and to enlarge the area of familiarity with the objectives and functions of the Board among the departments having responsibility for psychological operations.

We have continued our efforts to hold the size of the staff to the minimum consistent with the responsibilities placed on the Board and on the Director, and to make maximum use of the facilities, staff and contributions of the member departments and agencies and other governmental departments and agencies that are in a position to contribute to the achievement of national objectives in the field of psychological strategy.

I, and the members of my staff, would walcome an opportunity to meet with you and the appropriate members of your staff to discuss with you those aspects of the work of the Board which, in the interest of national security, cannot be appropriately dealt with in this submittal.

Respectfully yours,

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Enclosures:

- Exhibit 1. Statement of Appropriations and Expenditures
- Exhibit 2. Amounts Available for Obligation
- Exhibit 3. Analysis of Obligations by Objects
- Exhibit 4. Analysis of Expenditures
- Exhibit 5. Narrative Justification

A. General

- (1) Press release, June 20, 1951
- (2) Administrative Support Agreement (revised) effective July 1, 1952
- B. Organization Chart
- C. Schedule of Permanent Positions
- D. Justification of Other Objects of Expanditure

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