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COINS

OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES (FIRST DRAFT)

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NEW COINS PARTICIPANTS

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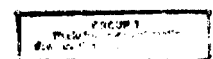
References: (a) DIA Letter, C-15, 117/MS-1, Subject:
Release of COINS Documentation and Files
to Unified and Specified Commands, dated
27 August 1968.

(b) NSA Memorandum, Sub-
ject: same as above, dated 16 December 1968.

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I - Authority

1. USIB-D-39.1/9, "Community On-line Intelligence System," 11 April 1968.
2. USIB-D-71.4/1, "Management of the COINS Experiment," 3 June 1968, paragraph 4k, page 3.
3. COINS Master Plan Part I FY 1969 - 1970, dated 2 December 1968. Part III, Para 3h, page 21.



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II - Purpose

These operational instructions set forth procedures and criteria for admitting new organizations into the COINS network.

III - Scope

Instructions in this operating procedure apply only to the admittance of new organizations into the COINS network. This procedure does not preclude a participating organization from connecting additional components to its computer system, providing specified security requirements are satisfied.

IV - Background

1. On 27 August 1968, DIA requested authority to (a) release COINS documentation to the Unified and Specified (U & S) Commands and (b) permit them to have on-line access to the COINS network through the store-and-forward switch at DIA. (See reference a). In addition this letter set forth a tentative schedule for connecting the U & S Commands to the DIA switch.

2. After consultation with the COINS sub-system managers DIA was informed to proceed with their plans to bring the U & S Commands into the DIA system on the dates indicated. Access to the full COINS network will be decided on a case-by-case basis, after a period of successful U & S Command operation with the DIA system (See reference b).

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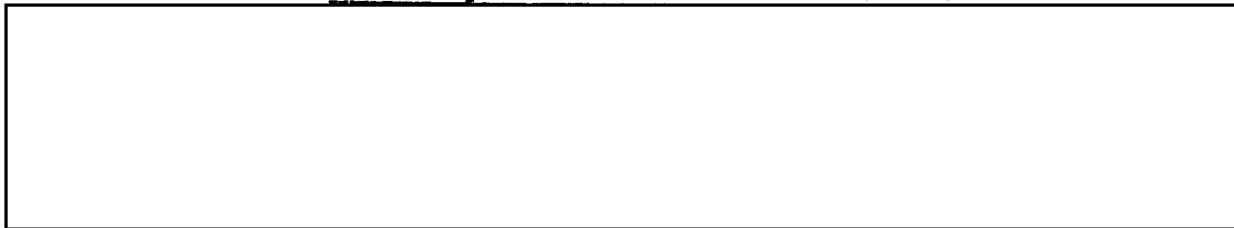
V - Types of Participants

There are two types of participants in the COINS Experiment, namely:

1. Contributors - A contributor is a participating organization which has a computer system and who contributes files which it makes available to the other participating organizations. In the present COINS Experiment the contributors are DIA, Hq CIA, CIA/NPIC and NSA.

2. Subscribers - A subscriber is a participating organization which accesses the network through a remote terminal connected to a contributor's computer system. A subscriber may or may not sponsor a file stored in the contributor's system. In the present COINS Experiment the subscribers are the Department of State and the National Indications Center (NIC).

VI - Procedures for Submitting a Request to Participate in the COINS Network



Each request must contain the following information:

- a. Name and location of organization
- b. Requirement for participation
- c. Type of participant (i.e., subscriber or contributor)

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- d. Date requestor can connect into the COINS network
- e. Statement on the willingness to accept the costs to connect into the network, as well as agreement to adhere to current operating procedures.
- f. Statement certifying that current security procedures and constraints will be satisfied.
- g. Files to be made available to COINS by the requesting organization.

2. Military services (except cryptologic agencies) and the Unified and Specified Commands, must submit their requests through DIA. The Cryptologic services must submit their requests through NSA.

3. Upon receipt of a request the COINS Project Manager will submit copies of the request to all sub-system managers for consideration. Sub-system managers will respond within 30 days, indicating whether or not their organizations concur or non-concur in the request. Non-concurrence must be accompanied by a statement of the reasons for non-concurrence.



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VII - Criteria for Acceptance

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Acceptance will depend in part on the following
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1. The requesting organization must be a member of the intelligence community.
2. The requesting organization must have a requirement to have access to shared data bases in the COINS Experiment.
3. The requesting organization must be willing to pay the costs to connect into the network and adapt to existing COINS operating procedures and conventions.
4. The requesting organization must adhere to COINS security procedures. Currently all computer systems including remote terminals and communications lines and facilities must operate at the TOP SECRET SI level while participating in the COINS network.

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