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MEMORANDUM FOR: Members, Intelligence Definitions Working Group

FROM:

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Office of Policy and Planning  
Intelligence Community Staff

SUBJECT: Minutes of Definitions Working Group Meetings

1. A summary of the meetings held on 12 and 13 October 1977 of the Intelligence Definitions Working Group is attached for your information.

2. The candidate list of terms has been revised to reflect the additions, deletions, and assignment of actions decided at the 12 October meeting. Also attached are draft definitions for "Actionable Intelligence," "Monitor," "Review," "Evaluate," and "Assess." These definitions were developed by [REDACTED] Human Resources Committee, and will be discussed at subsequent meetings. [REDACTED] has suggested that "Foreign Affairs Community" be included in our glossary and has provided a draft definition for your consideration.

3. The meeting of the Working Group is scheduled for 0930, Tuesday, 18 October 1977, at CHB, Room 5S09.

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MINUTES OF THE INTELLIGENCE  
DEFINITIONS WORKING GROUP

12-13 October 1977

1. The meeting opened by discussing a revised introductory paragraph to the glossary of intelligence terms which incorporates terminology suggested by CIA/OLC. The revised paragraph was distributed to the members and will be discussed at subsequent meetings.

2. The review of the composite list of candidate intelligence terms (to be included in the glossary) was completed and various acronyms were added. The Group decided that the final document should also contain a separate section listing all appropriate acronyms and their meaning. At the conclusion of this review, the Chairman assigned responsibilities to the participants for developing draft definitions. The participants were asked to provide these definitions to OPP at their earliest opportunity or bring them to the next meeting.

3. An unscheduled meeting of the Group was called on 13 October 1977 in order to discuss definitions for 26 intelligence terms requested by Senator Huddleston. [redacted] explained that the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence was expected to introduce intelligence legislation on 29 October 1977 and that the Committee would develop its own definitions of intelligence terms unless the Community provided them prior to that date. The Group then began a review of the strawman definitions developed for Senator Huddleston and agreement was reached on seven terms.

4. The next meeting of the Working Group is scheduled for 0930, Tuesday, 18 October 1977, at CHB, Room 5S09.

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COMPOSITE LIST OF INTELLIGENCE TERMS  
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TERM	DEFINITION PROVIDED BY
Acoustical Intelligence (ACOUSTINT)	OPP
Actionable Intelligence	HRC
Advisory Tasking	OPP
Agent	CIA, FBI
Agent of Influence	FBI
Alert Memorandum	NIO
Assess	HRC
Assessment	CIA
Asset	DIA
Authentication	NSA
Automated Intelligence	NSA
Basic Intelligence	OPP
Biographic Intelligence	CIA
Cartographic Intelligence	CIA
CIFAX (See "Enciphered Facsimile")	NSA
Cipher	NSA
CIPHONY	NSA
CIVISION	NSA
Clandestine	CIA
Clandestine Services	CIA
Classification Authority	SECOM
Code	NSA

TERM	DEFINITION PROVIDED BY
Critical Intelligence Message (CRITIC)	NSA
Cryptanalysis	NSA
CRYPTO	NSA
Cryptographic System	NSA
Cryptography	NSA
Cryptologic Activities	NSA
Cryptology	NSA
Cryptosecurity	NSA
Current Intelligence	CIA
Customer	Treasury
DCI	CIA
DCI Committees	CIA
DCIDs	CIA
DCID 1/2 Attachment	OPP
Deception	DIA
Declassification	SECOM
Decompartmentation	SECOM
Decontrol	Army
Defector	CIA
Defector in Place	CIA
Defense Intelligence Community	DIA
Department Intelligence	DIA
Dissemination	CIA
Domestic Collection	CIA
Domestic Security	FBI

TERM	DEFINITION PROVIDED BY
Codeword	NSA
Collateral	NSA
Collection	CIA
Collection Requirement	Air Force
Combat Intelligence	DIA
Communications Cover	NSA
Communications Deception	NSA
Communications Intelligence (COMINT)	NSA
Communications Security (COMSEC)	NSA
Compartmentation	SECOM
Compartmented Intelligence (See "Sensitive Compartmented Information")	SECOM
Compromise	SECOM
Compromising Emanations	NSA
COMSEC Monitoring	NSA
COMSEC Signals Acquisition & Analysis	NSA
COMSEC Surveillance	NSA
Computer Security	SECOM
Co-opted Worker	FBI
Coordination	Treasury
Counterintelligence (CI)	FBI
Cover	DIA
Covert	CIA, DIA
Covert Action (CA)	CIA
Critical Intelligence	NSA
Critical Intelligence Communications System (CRITICOMM)	NSA

TERM	DEFINITION PROVIDED BY
Double Agent	FBI, CIA
Downgrade	SECOM
Economic Intelligence	Treasury
Electro-Optical Intelligence	Air Force
Electronic Countermeasures (ECM)	NSA
Electronic Intelligence (ELINT)	OPP
Electronics Security (ELSEC)	NSA
Electronic Surveillance	NSA
Emanations Security (EMSEC)	NSA
Emigre	CIA
Emission Security	NSA
Enciphered Facsimile (CIFAX)	NSA
End Product	State
End User	Treasury
Energy Intelligence	DoE
Espionage	DIA
Essential Elements of Information (EEI)	DIA
Estimative Intelligence	NIO
Evaluate	HRC
Evasions and Escape Intelligence	DIA
Foreign Communications	NSA
Foreign Counterintelligence	ARMY, FBI
Foreign Instrumentation Signals Intelligence (FISINT)	NSA
Foreign Intelligence (FI)	OPP

TERM	DEFINITION PROVIDED BY
Foreign Intelligence Agency	NSA
Foreign Material Intelligence	Air Force
Financial and Monetary Intelligence	Treasury
Finished Intelligence	Treasury
Geographic Intelligence	CIA
Guidance	OPP
Human Resources Collection	HRC
Human Source	HRC
Human Source Reporting	HRC
HUMINT (see "Human Source Reporting")	HRC
Illegal	FBI
Illegal Agent	FBI
Illicit Communications	NSA
Imagery Intelligence	CIA
Imagery Interpretation	CIA
I&W (see "Indications and Warning Intelligence")	DIA
Imitative Communications Deception	NSA
Indications and Warning (I&W Intelligence)	DIA
Information	Treasury, IHC
Information Need	Treasury
Information Security	NSA
Infrared Intelligence	Air Force
Integration	DIA
Intelligence	OPP



TERM	DEFINITION PROVIDED BY
Intelligence Activities	OPP
Intelligence Community (IC)	OPP
Intelligence Community Staff (ICS)	OPP
Intelligence Consumer	Treasury
Intelligence Cycle	DIA
Intelligence Data Handling System	IHC
Intelligence Estimate	NIO
Intelligence Information	OPP
Intelligence Process	NSA
Intelligence Producer	CIA
Intelligence Related Activities (IRA)	OPP
Intelligence Report	NSA
Intelligence Requirement	DIA
Intelligence User (see "Intelligence Consumer")	Treasury
Interaction	NSA
Interagency Intelligence Memorandum (IIM)	NIO
Interdepartmental Intelligence	DIA
International Leased Communication (ILC)	NSA
International Terrorism, International Terrorist Activities	OPP
Interpretation (see "Analysis" and "Evaluate")	DIA
Interrogation Intelligence	Army
Joint Intelligence	DIA
Key Intelligence Questions (KIQs)	OPP
Laser Intelligence (LASINT)	Air Force

TERM	DEFINITION PROVIDED BY
Manipulative Communications Deception	NSA
Medical Intelligence	OPP
Military Intelligence (MI)	OPP
Monitor	NSA
National Estimates (see "National Intelligence Estimates")	NIO
National Foreign Assessment Center (NFAC)	OPP
National Foreign Intelligence Board (NFIB)	OPP
National Foreign Intelligence Program (NFIP)	OPP
National Intelligence	OPP
National Intelligence Estimate (NIE)	NIO
National Intelligence Officer (NIO)	NIO
National Intelligence Tasking Center (NITC)	OPP
National Security	OPP
National/Tactical Interface	OPP
Net Assessments	Army
Non-Communications Emanations	OPP
Nuclear Intelligence (NUCINT)	DIA
Officials	FBI
Open Source Information	State
Operational Control	DIA
Operational Intelligence	DIA
Optical Intelligence (OPTINT)	Air Force
Order-of-Battle (OB)	DIA
Overt	CIA
Overt Collection	CIA

TERM	DEFINITION PROVIDED BY
Penetration	NSA
Personnel Security	SECOM
Photographic Intelligence (PHOTINT)	CIA
Photographic Interpretation	CIA
Physical Security	SECOM
Policy Review Committee (Intelligence) (PRC(I))	OPP
Political Intelligence	OPP
Priority	OPP
Processing	DIA
Produce	CIA
Producer	CIA
Product	CIA
Production	CIA
Proliferation	DoE
Protected Wireline Distribution System (PWDS)	NSA
Radar Intelligence (RADINT)	Air Force
Radiation Intelligence	OPP
Raw Intelligence	Treasury
Recruitment in Place	CIA
Red/Black Concept	NSA
Refugee	CIA
Requirement	OPP
Review	HRC
Sabotage	FBI

TERM	DEFINITION PROVIDED BY
Sanitization, Sanitize	SECOM
Scientific Intelligence	CIA
Scientific & Technical (S&T) Intelligence	CIA
Security	SECOM
Sensitive	CIA
Sensitive Compartmented Information (SCI)	SECOM
Sensitive Operations	Air Force
Signals Intelligence (SIGINT)	OPP
Source	Air Force
Sources and Methods	CIA
Special Activities Office (SAO)	DIA
Special Intelligence (SI) (see "Communications Intelligence")	Air Force
Special Intelligence Communications (SPINTCOMM)	NSA
Special National Intelligence Estimate (SNIE)	NIO
Special Security Office(r) (SSO)	DIA
Strategic Intelligence	OPP
Strategic Warning	DIA
Subversion	FBI
Tactical Intelligence	OPP
Target Intelligence	OPP
Tasking	OPP
Technical Control	NSA
Technical Intelligence	NSA
Telemetry Intelligence (TELINT)	OPP

TERM	DEFINITION PROVIDED BY
TEMPEST	NSA
Terrorism (see "International Terrorist Activities")	OPP
Terrorist Organization	CIA
Traffic Analysis	NSA
Transmission Security (TRANSSSES)	NSA
United States Signals Intelligence System (USSID)	OPP
User	Treasury
Warning	NSA

ACTIONABLE INTELLIGENCE

Information that is directly useful to consumers without having to go through the full intelligence processing cycle. NOTE: It may address strategic or tactical needs, as in close-support type collection for U.S. negotiating terms or action elements dealing with international terrorism, narcotics, etc. (See also Tactical Intelligence)

Monitor to Assess

MONITOR

The overt or clandestine act of observing, listening to, intercepting, recording, transcribing any form of communications or media for intelligence collection or intelligence security purposes.

REVIEW

To examine, inspect, and discuss in a critical manner, precedent to consideration of value.

EVALUATE

To appraise the worth of an intelligence activity or result in terms of its contribution to a specific goal, or the credibility, reliability, pertinency, accuracy, usefulness of information in terms of an intelligence need, usually without reference to cost.

ASSESS

A management deliberation in which the value of an intelligence activity, result, or product is weighed against resource allocation or expenditures.

FOREIGN AFFAIRS COMMUNITY

Those departments, U.S. Government agencies, and other organizations which are represented in U.S. diplomatic missions abroad; and Executive Branch entities which may not be represented abroad but are significantly involved in international activities with the governments of other nations.