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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE:

SUBJECT: Production of Population and Manpower Studies.

1. The production and dissemination of sociological intelligence in the field of population and manpower studies by various government agencies, including the National Office of Vital Statistics, the Bureau of the Census, the Department of State, and the Intelligence Division, represents duplication, wasted effort and needless expense.
2. It is the consensus of those who have been engaged in population studies for the various government agencies that this type of intelligence can be most efficiently and economically produced under central direction.
3. It is proposed, therefore, that the Director of Central Intelligence call a meeting of representatives of all interested agencies for the purpose of discussing the establishment of an integrated system for the production of intelligence dealing with population and manpower.
4. The agenda of the meeting could include consideration of (a) the allocation of responsibility for collection, production and dissemination; and (b) the standardization of methods of compiling and maintaining data.
5. Any procedure formulated by the group proposed in paragraph 3 above and later approved by the agencies concerned could later be incorporated into the inter-departmental operation established at a future date for the production of the National Intelligence Surveys.

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