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INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY BOARD

AMENDMENT OF THE DEFINITION OF STRATEGIC AND NATIONAL
POLICY INTELLIGENCE

Memorandum by the Secretary

Pursuant to a request by the Chief of Naval Intelligence, the recommendations contained in the enclosed memorandum are circulated herewith for consideration of the Intelligence Advisory Board at its next meeting.

FOR THE INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY BOARD.

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE:

Subject: Minutes of 9th Meeting of the N.I.A.

1. The term "strategic and national policy intelligence" has caused confusion because -

- (a) It in effect joins two types of intelligence, and
- (b) The word "strategic" as used in the combined term was not intended to convey the same meaning which usage in the services intended it should convey when employed alone in connection with military intelligence.

2. It is believed that the definition as written in subject paper applies more appropriately to "national policy intelligence" or merely "national intelligence."

3. It is recommended that consideration be given to amending this definition by striking out the first two words "strategic and" or by striking out the first, second and fourth words "strategic and - policy," and by changing the last sentence to read as follows:

"It is in that political-economic-military area in scope, including such strategic data as is necessary, of common concern to more than one agency, must be objective, and transcend the exclusive competence and responsibility of any one department, except such operational intelligence as may be required by the armed services."

4. It is recommended that this matter be referred to ICAPS for study and placed on the agenda for discussion at the next meeting of the Intelligence Advisory Board.

/s/ Thos. B. Inglis

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