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MEMORANDUM FOR: Honorable Allen W. Dulles

SUBJECT: The Joint Study Group Report

I should like to express a reservation about Recommendation No. 24. It seems to me to be too sweeping as written and that there may be occasions when exceptions should be taken to this very good principle.

Perhaps it could read as follows:

"The chief of mission or principal officer in each overseas area should be given affirmative responsibility for coordination of all overt and clandestine intelligence requirements concerning that area, except in situations with respect to which the Secretary of State and the Director of Central Intelligence may agree do not warrant such allocation of responsibility."



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NSC review(s) completed.

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