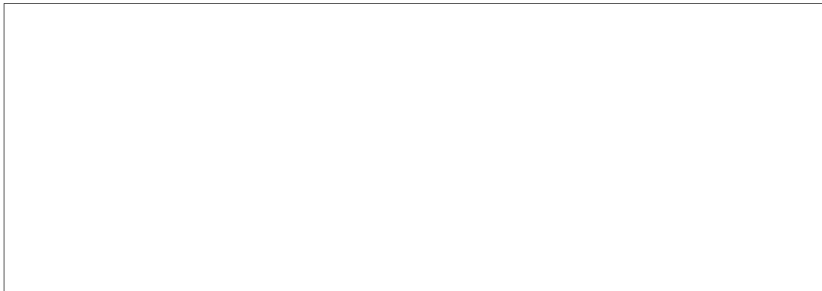


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Science and Technology Advisory Panel

STAP 86-0042
1 December 1986

MEMORANDUM FOR:




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FROM:

Executive Secretary, DCI's Science and Technology
Advisory Panel

SUBJECT: Request for File Check


1. This memorandum requests a file check in aid of a study that is being conducted by the DCI's Science and Technology Advisory Panel (STAP). 

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2. At the DCI's request, STAP is preparing a report on technological surprise, with special emphasis on identification of areas where potentially harmful surprises may occur in the next ten years. Part of the study's methodology consists of visits by STAP members to selected key scientists around the country. The visits will involve interviews (one to two hours) of those scientists to acquire their views on likely advances and their implications. (Given the STAP members' backgrounds, these sessions will be somewhat akin to peer discussions.) A total of 25-30 interviews is envisioned (about three per member).  an Agency annuitant and former member of the Senior Review Panel, will accompany the members. Persons being interviewed will be told in advance that the effort is in support of the DCI.

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3. Attached for your review is a list of potential interviewees. Before proceeding to schedule visits with them, it is desirable to ascertain whether a meeting would be inadvisable on security or operational grounds. It is requested, therefore, that your files be checked to determine if any objections to an interview exist. 

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4. If you have any questions, please call me on or

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Attachment:
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