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MEMORANDUM FOR: Members, Intelligence Definitions
Working Group

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Office of Policy and Planning
Intelligence Community Staff

SUBJECT:

Minutes of 10 January 1978 Meeting

1. A summary of the 10 January 1978 meeting of the Intelligence Definitions Working Group is attached for your information. No changes were made to the list of definitions dated 20 December 1977.

2. The next meeting of the Working Group will begin at 1330, 17 January 1978, CHB Room 5S09.

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Executive Secretary

Attachment
As stated

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DEFINITIONS WORKING GROUP
10 January 1978

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INTELLIGENCE DEFINITIONS WORKING GROUP

10 January 1978

PROCEDURAL ITEMS:

STAT [redacted] discussed his progress on his project to present the relationships among groups of intelligence terms in graphic form. He appealed to the Working Group for assistance in defining technical intelligence terms relating to imagery, acoustics, and nuclear radiation.

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STAT [redacted] In [redacted] absence, Mr. [redacted] opened the meeting with a discussion of the possible inadequacy of the previously agreed-upon definitions of Intelligence and Foreign Intelligence. The Group considered proposed revisions to each term (attached) and, after considerable discussion, agreed to study the definitions preparatory to further discussion at the next meeting. Members of the Group were encouraged to provide their own candidate definitions and not to limit their thinking to those provided.

2. The Group continued the discussion of the previous meeting by considering a revised slate of definitions received from the Security Committee (attached) as follows:

a. Unauthorized Disclosure--accepted as is. Will be included in next revision.

b. Leak--dropped from further consideration because deemed inappropriate for an Intelligence Glossary.

c. Damage Assessment--Definition accepted with the addition of "Intelligence Community Context" in parenthesis preceding the definition, and with the stem revised to read, "An evaluation of the impact...." DIA agreed to provide a second definition of the term when used in a military intelligence context. Acceptance was thus deferred.

d. Sensitive Intelligence Sources or Methods--After lengthy discussion, it was agreed that the Secretary would work with the SECOM member to devise a definition which will incorporate the separate definitions of Intelligence Method and Intelligence Source and will obviate the need to separately define these component terms.

e. Proprietary--The definition seemed acceptable but, having had no opportunity to staff it, the Group asked for additional time for that purpose.

3. A "Loose-ends List" (attached), which compiles candidate definitions not yet considered, was distributed and will be the agenda item following clean-up of the SECOM list at the next meeting.

4. The next meeting of the Working Group will begin at 1330, 17 January 1978, CHB Room 5S09.



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INTELLIGENCE: (a) A generic term applied to information acquired in response to the requirements of policy or decisionmakers, and which includes counterintelligence.

(b) A descriptive term used to refer to the direct support or collateral functions, activities, or organizations which relate to the performance of the steps in the Intelligence Cycle. (See Intelligence Cycle and Intelligence Activities.)

FOREIGN INTELLIGENCE (FI): (a) The product of collecting, processing, and analyzing foreign information which relates to a nation's security, foreign relations, or economic interests. (b) The collective effort or enterprise which produces (a) above.

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UNAUTHORIZED DISCLOSURE: See Compromise.

LEAK: A compromise which results from making official classified information available to the public through the media without attribution to a specific source and without official declassification of the information.

DAMAGE ASSESSMENT: A report which assesses the impact of a compromise in terms of loss of intelligence information, sources or methods, and which may describe and/or recommend corrective measures to minimize damage and prevent future compromises.

INTELLIGENCE METHOD: Any means used or planned to be used in the collection or analysis of intelligence.

INTELLIGENCE SOURCE: Any person, thing, condition or event from which intelligence information has been, is, or is planned to be derived.

SENSITIVE INTELLIGENCE SOURCES OR METHODS: A collective phrase used to describe those intelligence sources or intelligence methods which, if compromised, are vulnerable to counteraction that could reasonably be expected to reduce their effectiveness in supporting the intelligence activities of the United States.

PROPRIETARY: A business entity owned, in whole or in part, or controlled by the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA) and operated to provide private commercial cover for a lawful intelligence activity of the CIA.

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Human Source Reporting: The flow of intelligence information from those who gather it to the consumer/user of the information. A form of the term is also used to denote an item of information being conveyed, as in "Human Source Report." (See Human Intelligence.)

Human Resources Collection: All activities which attend collection of intelligence from human sources. (See Human Intelligence.)

Human Intelligence (HUMINT): Encompasses the meanings of HUMAN SOURCE REPORTING and HUMAN RESOURCES COLLECTION. The acronym is used primarily by the Department of Defense and appears only infrequently in communications of other departments and agencies. Its use can be misleading since much of the information in human source reporting comes from sources that are not part of an intelligence activity.

NIO

National Intelligence Officer: A National Intelligence Officer is the senior substantive staff officer of the DCI and the DCI's Deputy for National Intelligence for ^{a particular} (the NIO's assigned) area of substantive ^{activity} responsibility. He also manages estimative and interagency intelligence production on behalf of the DCI and D/DCI/NI in fulfillment of the DCI's charter to produce national intelligence. An NIO is, further, the principal point of contact between the DCI and intelligence consumers below the cabinet level. An NIO is also charged with monitoring and coordinating that portion of the production of the National Foreign Assessment Center that involves more than one production

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office or that is interdisciplinary in character. Finally, an NIO is the primary source of national-level substantive guidance to Intelligence Community planners, collectors, and resource managers.

Energy Intelligence: Foreign intelligence on the economic, political and technical factors affecting energy supply in international markets and in individual foreign countries. Key intelligence includes data on energy supply/demand balances, prices, national and international energy policies, and the political and institutional forces influencing policy decisions in these areas. (Proposed redraft.)

DIA

Special Activities Office (SAO): A term and its abbreviation often used with reference to the TANGO and/or BRAVO information, material, security administration, areas, etc. The term has evolved into the unclassified means of identifying TANGO and BRAVO information or controls.

Indications and Warning Intelligence (I&W): That area of intelligence concerned with time-sensitive information on foreign developments that could involve a threat to U.S. or allied military, political, or economic interests, including threats to U.S. citizens. It covers indications of enemy hostile actions or intentions; imminence of hostilities; serious insurgency; nuclear/non-nuclear attack on the U.S., its overseas forces, or allied nations; hostile reactions to U.S. reconnaissance activities; terrorist attacks; and any other events significantly threatening U.S. security interests.

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Special Security Officer (SSO): The officer specifically designated for the implementation of the COMINT security and administrative instructions within any activity authorized COMINT material. Provides the command or activity with four basic services:

- a. Operates a COMINT facility.
- b. Operates a Communications Terminal for receipt of SI (Special Intelligence).
- c. Advises on COMINT security matters, including sanitization and use.
- d. Assists command intelligence office in production of intelligence within resource limitations. Can refer also to the officer where the officer works.

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Proposed Add-Ons

Case Officer
Collation
Counterespionage } Parts of
Countersabotage } FCI
Countersubversion }
Decrypt
Encipher
Encrypt
Interrogation
Nationals
Plumbing
Safe House

Damage Assessment: The determination of the effect of attacks on targets.

Civil Damage Assessment: An appraisal of damage to a nation's population, industry, utilities, communications, transportation, food, water and medical resources to support planning for national recovery.

Military Damage Assessment: An appraisal of the effects of an attack on a nation's military forces to determine residual military capability and to support planning for recovery and reconstitution.

INTELLIGENCE: (a) Knowledge acquired and furnished in response to the known or perceived requirements of policy or decision-makers which is derived principally from information about another nation which is normally concealed from or not intended for the use of the acquiring nation. Intelligence is the product of a cyclical process encompassing the planning for, gathering and analyzing of such information and providing it to consumers in a desired format. (See Intelligence Cycle.)

Examples:

- o Policy development requires good intelligence.
- o Timely intelligence is important to informed decisionmaking.

(b) A term used to refer collectively to the functions, activities, or organizations which participate in the process of planning, gathering, and analyzing foreign information of value to policymakers and to the production of intelligence as defined in (a) above. It also encompasses counterintelligence.

Examples:

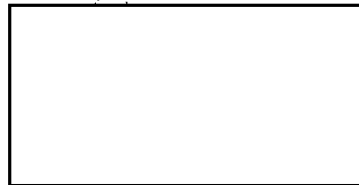
- o Human source collection is an important intelligence activity.
- o Central Intelligence Agency.
- o Intelligence is a demanding profession.

Chuck: Does this help?

Intelligence. A process that involves the gathering and use of secret and other information to support decisionmakers in the sponsoring organizations.

COMMENT. As an adjective, the word "intelligence" is used to refer to agencies and organizations that use the process (eg. intelligence agency); to product that results from the process (eg. intelligence report); to activity that involves the process (eg. intelligence analysis); to information acquired in the process (eg. intelligence information); to (particular subsets of) the process and to participants in the process (eg. intelligence officers). The adjectives and the words they modify are sometimes used in a shorthand fashion (eg. he works in intelligence; he turned over some intelligence). The word "intelligence" as a noun sometimes often is further modified to refer to some subset of the process (eg. counterintelligence, economic intelligence).

FYI. The word "proprietary" can be included in the unclassified glossary, and the draft SECOM definition looks good to us.



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