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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. Richard Lehman

SUBJECT: CFI Minutes

1. You will recall at last week's CFI meeting I asked for guidance (and got none) on the question of disseminating the CFI minutes. At the appropriate time, I will bring the matter up again. There will be a crying need to make sure that rather substantial numbers of people around town are kept posted on CFI business and decisions.

2. In the meantime, most of the CFI business, of course, is primarily organizational and procedural; and I am not too deeply concerned about the lack of broad dissemination. There is some feeling in town that the CFI is thus far opaque. Better to be opaque than to appear indecisive in my judgment.

3. In any event, I have an informal agreement with Sam Wilson that he will disseminate internally within DoD as he sees fit. I hope you will feel free to do the same within CIA.

  
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These remarks perforce are very preliminary as  
☺ apparently are the options presented in the IC paper. As  
a general reaction, this seems to be another example of the  
Elizabeth Arden approach to Community organization--namely,  
that if you apply enough cosmetics, nobody will know that  
the CIA exists.

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