

The new Senior Review Panel, established to assist the Deputy Director for National Foreign Assessment and me in improving the quality of major intelligence products and their usefulness to policymakers, has been operating for several months. Its functions are to review both Intelligence Community and National Foreign Assessment Center products at various stages in their preparation, to audit finished intelligence, and to advise the Deputy Director for National Foreign Assessment in overall production planning. The Panel promises to provide a valuable crosscheck on our objectivity by ensuring an independent view of both the process and the product of intelligence.

Our analytical effort will benefit from the cumulative experience and acumen of the three distinguished panel members: Ambassador William Leonhart, Dr. Klaus Knorr and General Bruce Palmer, Jr., USA (Ret.), who bring with them a wealth of relevant experience from the diplomatic, academic and military communities.

I know that all employees join me in welcoming the members of the Senior Review Panel as they join us in our common goal of providing the leaders of our government with the best intelligence analysis of which we are capable. Following is a brief introduction to each Panel member.

### **GENERAL BRUCE PALMER, JR.**

General Palmer graduated from the U.S. Military Academy in 1936. He also attended the U.S. Army War College in 1952, where he later returned to teach. He served in the Dominican Republic in 1965-66. He commanded II Field Force in Vietnam in 1967, concurrently acting as Senior Advisor to the Vietnamese Commanding General, III Corps. In May 1967 he became Deputy Commanding General, U.S. Army, Vietnam. In 1968 he was promoted to four-star rank and served as Vice Chief of Staff until 1973. General Palmer commanded the U.S. Readiness Command until his retirement in 1974 when he became Executive Director, Defense Manpower Commission until 1976. From 1976 until 1978, he was a defense policy consultant to the American Enterprise Institute in Washington, D.C. General Palmer currently is President of the West Point Society of the District of Columbia.

### **DR. KLAUS KNORR**

Dr. Knorr received an LLB at the University of Tuebingen, Germany in 1935. He emigrated to the U.S. in 1937 and received a Ph.D. from the University of Chicago in 1941. He was an economist at the Ford Research Institute at Stanford University from 1941 to 1945, and at the Institute of International Studies at Yale from 1945 to 1952. From 1952 to the present, Dr. Knorr has been a Professor of International Affairs at Princeton. He also has been a consultant to the Departments of State and Defense, CIA, Sandia Corporation, RAND, and the Hudson Institute.

### **AMBASSADOR WILLIAM LEONHART**

Ambassador Leonhart is a graduate of West Virginia University, earning an A.B. in 1939, and Princeton University where he earned a M.A. in 1941 and a Ph.D. in 1943. He advanced through the ranks of the Foreign Service to Career Minister, and has served in Buenos Aires, Rome, Phnom Penh, Saigon, Vientiane, London, Dar es Salaam, Tokyo (twice) and Belgrade (twice). He attended the Imperial Defence College in 1958. Ambassador Leonhart has been a member of State Department's Policy Planning Staff 1955-57; Deputy, then Special Assistant to the President, 1966-68; Deputy Commandant for International Affairs, National War College, 1972-75; and Vice President, National Defense University, 1975-77.