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16 July 1986

MEMORANDUM TO: Director of Research and Development

FROM : [redacted] ACS/ORD

SUBJECT : SRI/DIA Request for Parapsychological Data

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Attached is a request for copies of data derived from several experiments sponsored by the Agency over a decade ago with the alleged psychic, Pat Price. I have a copy of one of the requested documents, a negative analysis of Pat's statements about the URDF-3 Soviet [redacted] Las Alamos, 1976). The other requested data has been destroyed or has receded into the mists of OTS archives. After a brief discussion with [redacted] I suggest we respond by providing SRI-International with [redacted] review and note the other data has been destroyed or archived. (see Attached draft for your consideration).

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Background

Approximately a month ago, [redacted] (DIA) called to request a meeting about an "Old Contract". Knowing Jim's involvement with GRILLFLAME, DIA's unclassified designator for parapsychological research, I knew generally what he wanted to discuss. We arranged for a meeting which occurred on 12 June in my office. The meeting included Ms. Beverly Humphey, SRI - International's principle investigator on the DIA funded parapsychology research project.

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The main objective of the meeting was to inform me they have not made significant progress in understanding "remote viewing" and therefore, wanted to review the best subject from past experiments, Pat Price. Since Pat died in 1977, and I had personally worked with him, they wanted to debrief me on my recollections of him and his procedures as well as locate primary data records on original analysis which they could review and re-analyze.

I discussed my personal recollections of various personal methods and idiosyncrasies of Pat's and noted I no longer had access to most of the primary data (transcripts, drawings, and audio tapes) from Pat Price. I further suggested, that if they sent a request for the data, I would route it to the appropriate part of the CIA.

CL BY [redacted] SG1I  
 DECL [redacted] OADR  
 DERIVED FROM [redacted]

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After receiving the attached letter, I called [redacted] to explain the situation and get his guidance. [redacted] said he was indifferent to the DIA research and would like to avoid the effort of searching for the old data files, which may or may not exist. I told [redacted] I would request your approval to send the single document which I had and we would not bother him further with the matter.

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Attachment:  
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