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COMMAND GROUP APPROVAL/RELEASE SHEET

CONTROL NUMBER

SUBJECT: Transfer of the CENTER LANE Project; OFFICE SYMBOL: IAGPA-F-SD; DATE: 4 Sep 84

ACTION REQUIRED: CG Approve MOA Transferring the CENTER LANE Program to DIA (S/CL-2/NOFORN); ACTION-OFFICER-PHONE: LTC Buzdy AV 923-7829

MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD (Describe briefly the requirement, background and action taken or recommended. Must be sufficiently detailed to identify the action without recourse to other sources.) (S/CL-2/NOFORN) ORIGIN OF ACTION: CG, INSCOM decision and subsequent ACSI and Secretary of the Army approval, to discontinue INSCOM CENTER LANE Project (ICLP) and transfer appropriate operational and R&D efforts to the appropriate organizations (Blue TAB A).

(U) DISCUSSION: a. (S/CL-2/NOFORN) The ICLP manager has held discussions with DIA officials and the CG, US Army Medical Research and Development Command (USAMRDC) since the announcement of the decision to cancel the ICLP and transfer its functions to permit the continuance of the intelligence psychoenergetic effort within DoD. b. (S/CL-2/NOFORN) During a 1 August 1984 meeting between MG Rapmund and LTC Buzdy, MG Rapmund outlined his concept for USAMRDC participation in psychoenergetics and stated that he neither needed nor wanted the transfer of ICLP resources to USAMRDC to support his R&D efforts; therefore, this action will not address either the transfer of any INSCOM resources to USAMRDC or discuss proposed utilization of operational personnel in support of USAMRDC R&D.

Table with 3 columns: RESOURCE IMPLICATIONS, YES, NO. Rows include Personnel, Space Authorization, Operating Costs (OMA), Investment Costs (OPA & MCA), RDTE Costs, Environment.

Table with 2 main sections: COORDINATIONS and APPROVAL/RELEASE. Includes rows for IAOPS-H, IAFM-IX-S, IAGPA-F-CO, IAGPA-CO, and HEAD OF STAFF ELEMENT (Richard J. Powers, Jr.).

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c. (S/CL-2/NOFORN) DIA and USAMRDC signed an MOA on 17 August 1984 that serves as a concept paper and gives USAMRDC a charter to perform R&D to validate the psychoenergetic phenomena. The concept provides for the use of operational personnel to support the R&D effort; however, there are no USAMRDC requirements for full time assignment of military intelligence personnel to USAMRDC to support the R&D effort.

d. (S/CL-2/NOFORN) Discussions to date with DIA indicated that the new DoD psychoenergetic effort will operate under strict security. It is anticipated that after approval of an MOA, DIA will request OPSEC and cover support from INSCOM. Such support is already provided to ICLP by the Security Support Detachment, 902d MI Group and Administrative Survey Detachment, and these organizations could feasibly provide similar support to the prospective DIA effort.

e. (S/CL-2/NOFORN) In preparation for the ICLP transfer to DIA, the ICLP manager directed the preparation of a staff study to provide the rationale behind the preparation of the MOA. A copy of the staff study is attached at Blue TAB B.

f. (U) The proposed MOA will: (Blue TAB C)

(1) (S/CL-2/NOFORN) Transfer all personnel currently assigned to ICLP to DIA. It will involve the transfer of "faces but not spaces."

(2) (S/CL-2/NOFORN) Transfer all ICLP documents to DIA.

(3) (S/CL-2/NOFORN) Transfer all equipment, maintenance contracts, rental agreements and on hand supplies to DIA.

(4) (S/CL-2/NOFORN) Permit the transfer of the two office buildings currently occupied by ICLP to DIA. This will be accomplished by an ISSA between DIA and Fort Meade after the effective date of the MOA.

g. (S/CL-2/NOFORN) It is recognized and accepted that the deactivation of ICLP and its subsequent transfer to DIA will be a major task. With a positive approach and complete cooperation from the INSCOM staff, however, the transfer can be accomplished with INSCOM's best interests in mind and minimum disruption to ICLP operations.

h. (U) Recommend that after review and approval by CG, INSCOM, the MOA be forwarded unsigned to OACSI, DA as a concept paper for their coordination and approval (a suggested cover letter has been drafted, and is attached at Blue TAB D). CG, INSCOM could then sign the MOA when it is returned upon completion of the OACSI action.

(U) WHAT THIS ACTION WILL ACCOMPLISH:

a. (S/CL-2/NOFORN) Satisfy requirement to cancel INSCOM's involvement in psychoenergetics.

b. (S/CL-2/NOFORN) Permit the Intelligence Community to continue to use psychoenergetics as an intelligence collection tool.

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