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DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE DIRECTIVE 2/1
IMPLEMENTATION OF COORDINATION OF COLLECTION PLAN

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Under the authority of the National Security Council Intelligence Directive No. 2, and for the purpose of supplying the necessary operating details for the guidance of the coordinating officials, the agencies, and their field representatives in their implementation of the policies and objectives established therein, the following procedures are established:

1. Coordinating officials and their responsibilities:

a. The senior U. S. representative in each foreign area where the United States maintains a foreign post shall, within the spirit of the principles enunciated herein, be responsible for the coordination of all normal collection activities in his area.

b. To implement this coordination, each such representative shall:

(1) Exert every effort to centralize all intelligence information for the use of all authorized personnel.

(2) Eliminate undesirable duplication of collection effort and reporting and assure the proper channeling of information.

(3) Insure that whenever one or more of the departmental intelligence agencies are not represented at a foreign post, reporting on the appropriate categories is delegated to the extent possible to other members of the staff.

2. Collecting agents and their responsibilities:

a. Representatives of Departments or Agencies who are charged with the collection of intelligence information in the field, will be responsible to their respective Departments or Agencies:

(1) To comply in the coordination measures prescribed by the responsible officer as set forth in paragraph 1 above.

(2) To forward promptly to their home office and enter in a central intelligence index or file when established all intelligence material from any source which falls within their departmental agency responsibilities.

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(3) To bring promptly to the attention of the proper representatives of other Departments or Agencies any intelligence information of concern to them. Nothing in this directive prevents a representative from reporting any intelligence information to his own Department or Agency or maintaining a file of the material for his own official use.

(4) To make available to the senior U. S. representative and the field representatives of other agencies all collection directives and instructions received from their departments.

b. Nothing in this directive shall be interpreted as authorizing any officer to delay, suppress, or make substantive changes in any intelligence report without the concurrence of the officer submitting the report. Intelligence material, which may have no significance to field representatives in a single area or which may appear to be at complete variance with the over-all trend, may have great significance and form a definite part of an estimate being developed by the individual department or by the Central Intelligence Agency. Any dissenting opinion or commentary may either be incorporated in the report or submitted separately.

c. No interpretation of these established over-all policies and objectives shall negate the basic principle that all departmental representatives abroad are individually responsible for the collection and for the appropriate transmission to their departments of all intelligence information pertinent to their departmental missions.

3. The agencies and their responsibilities:

a. Each intelligence agency shall be responsible for the collection of intelligence information within its own categories of dominant interest for its own needs and for those of any other intelligence agency requesting it directly or through the Central Intelligence Agency, it being recognized that other agencies may have secondary interests in and need for such intelligence material for the production of their own staff intelligence.

b. Departmental intelligence agencies will issue such directives to the field as will insure the implementation of this plan.

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