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MEMORANDUM FOR THE UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD

SUBJECT : Draft DCID No. 1/10, "Coordination Staff"

REFERENCES: (a) USIB-D-1.5/3, 19 January 1961
(b) USIB-M-137, 24 January 1961, item 14

The attached draft DCID, which was developed in light of the NSC action on certain of the recommendations of the Joint Study Group (e. g., Recommendations 29 and 31), is circulated for review. We have been requested to place this matter on the agenda of the 7 February Board meeting.

John Heires
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Executive Secretary

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DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE DIRECTIVE NO. 1/10

COORDINATION STAFF

Pursuant to directives of the National Security Council, including paragraphs 1 and 3.c. of National Security Council Intelligence Directive No. 1 and National Security Council Action No. 2377 of 12 January 1961 (approved by the President on 18 January 1961), and for the purposes of assisting the Director of Central Intelligence in coordinating the intelligence activities of the United States Government throughout its departments and agencies, and advising the National Security Council, there is hereby established a Coordination Staff directed by the Assistant for Coordination under the Director of Central Intelligence.

1. Composition

The United States Intelligence Board members concerned shall jointly provide full time, qualified, senior intelligence professionals and supporting personnel for the Coordination Staff as agreed between the members concerned and the Director of Central Intelligence. Coordination Staff personnel shall be under the direction of the Assistant for Coordination. The Staff shall be responsible only to the Director of Central Intelligence and separate from any operational responsibility of individual departments and agencies.

2. Administration

The Director of Central Intelligence shall be responsible for providing travel funds, office space, supplies and related support for

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the Coordination Staff. The departments and agencies designating members of the Staff shall be responsible for payment of salaries and related personnel costs, and for allied administrative matters on behalf of such members.

3. Functions

a. The Coordination Staff shall, in consultation with the heads of the intelligence or other appropriate components of the departments or agencies concerned:

(1) Exercise leadership and initiative in the stimulation of cooperative action throughout the United States intelligence community in identifying problem areas; resolving unwarranted duplication; improving existing activities; developing and adapting new intelligence programs and otherwise providing for coordination.

(2) Conduct liaison through established channels within the United States intelligence community for the purpose of maintaining familiarity with the status of intelligence activities.

(3) Make such surveys of intelligence activities of the various departments and agencies as the Director of Central Intelligence may deem necessary in connection with his duty to advise the National Security Council and to coordinate the intelligence effort of the United States.

(4) Examine facilities and systems of intelligence activities for possible economies through joint usage.

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b. Assist the Director of Central Intelligence in carrying out his responsibilities as Chairman of the United States Intelligence Board by:

(1) Maintaining familiarity with United States Intelligence Board committees and making recommendations regarding their organization and functioning.

(2) Making recommendations on matters dealing with the organization, operations and functioning of intelligence activities where appropriate.

(3) Reviewing plans, programs, budgets and expenditures involving intelligence considerations and making recommendations regarding their relationship to assigned responsibilities of respective departments and agencies and allocations of manpower, funds, facilities and material.

(4) Making recommendations as to the adequacy and effective integration of plans and capabilities of intelligence activities for wartime readiness.

4. Implementation

Any actions to implement approved recommendations of the Coordination Staff shall be the exclusive responsibility of the heads of the departments or agencies directly concerned.

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PROPOSED POSITION AUTHORIZATIONS

COORDINATION STAFF

Assistant for Coordination. Appointed by the Director of Central Intelligence.

- 6 Intelligence Specialists (one each from Department of State, Department of Defense, Department of the Army, Department of the Navy, Department of the Air Force and the National Security Agency) to be appointed by the heads of their respective departments or agencies with the approval of the Director of Central Intelligence from senior officers in civilian grade of GS-15 and above and colonels or Navy captains of the military services. Subject to the desires of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, Atomic Energy Commission and the Joint Chiefs of Staff, their respective representatives may be included on the Coordination Staff, or in a liaison capacity.
- 3 Functional Specialists (one for resources, including manpower, organization, methods, funds, facilities and material; one for clandestine collection and operations; and one for intelligence production, overt collection, ELINT, COMINT and the intelligence applications of physical science) to be appointed by the Director of Central Intelligence from senior officers of the Central Intelligence Agency in civilian grade of GS-15 and above and colonels or Navy captains of the military services presently detailed with the Central Intelligence Agency.
- 3 Secretaries appointed by the Central Intelligence Agency and three secretaries appointed by the U. S. Intelligence Board from the intelligence community at large.

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