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***Information Review & Release (IRR) News for 16 July - 20 July 2001  
Executive Summary***

**Immediate Calendar:**

(U//~~ATUO~~) **26 July 2001: Interagency Security Classification Appeals Panel (ISCAP):** Next Liaisons' meeting at Eisenhower Executive Office Building (EEOB), Washington, DC.

**Future Planning Calendar:**

(U//~~ATUO~~) **20 September 2001: Interagency Security Classification Appeals Panel (ISCAP):** Next Principals' meeting at Eisenhower Executive Office Building (EEOB), Washington, DC.

(U//~~ATUO~~) **20 - 21 September 2001:** Next Historical Review Panel meeting at CIA

(U//~~ATUO~~) **October 2001:** The Automatic Declassification Date per Executive Order 12958, as amended, for unreviewed general material older than 25 years.

(U//~~ATUO~~) **April 2003:** The Automatic Declassification Date per Executive Order 12958, as amended, for unreviewed intelligence-related or multi-agency records.

**Overview of IRR Activities Last Week:**

(U//~~ATUO~~) **FOIA Requests**

(U//~~ATUO~~) **Swedish Journalist Submits Several FOIA Requests**

(U//~~ATUO~~) A reporter with TV4, the Swedish national TV station, submitted seven requests on a variety of topics. The reporter included among his requests information on "the sinking of the passenger ship M/S Estonia on September 28, 1994 in the Baltic Sea;" "the murder and subsequent police investigation into the murder of the former Swedish Prime Minister Olof Palme [who] was assassinated in February 1986;" "the export from Sweden of the Swedish jetfighter JAS Gripen;" and "the Soviet submarine called U-137 that ran aground in the archipelago of Karlskrona in southern Sweden in 1981."

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(U//~~ATUO~~) **Italian Professor Interested in NIEs**

(U//~~ATUO~~) A professor at the University of Siena in Italy requested copies of "all previously released National Intelligence Estimates (NIEs) on the Front de Liberation National (FLN) in Algeria between 1954 and 1962 and eventual links with Italy's Mediterranean politics of the same period."

- The FOIA case officer queried the Management of Officially Released Information (MORI) database of previously released material and consulted with an analyst with the Special Collections Division within the CIO/IMS Information Review Group. No responsive records were located. [Redacted]

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(U//~~ATUO~~) **National Security Archive Submits Requests on South America**

(U//~~ATUO~~) Among this week's submissions from the National Security Archive include a request for information on the 1962 elections in Brazil and "the meeting of the Second Congress of the Latin American Anti-Communist Confederation in Paraguay between May 28 and May 31, 1973."

- CIA accepted the requests [Redacted]

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~~(U//AFO)~~ **Youth Correctional Center Resident Wants Information on Manufacturing Nuclear Weapons**

~~(U//AFO)~~ A resident at the Northern California Youth Correctional Center asked for information on several topics ranging from how passports are printed to how nuclear weapons are manufactured. He also asked for CIA's assessment of prisons and police forces in specified European and South American countries.

- *The FOIA case officer provided the requester with a sampling of documents and a listing of previously released material on these subjects from which the requester may select documents that interest him.* [redacted]

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~~(U//ATUO)~~ **IMS Declassification Center**

~~(U//AFO)~~ **ERWG Holds July Meeting at State Department**

~~(U//AFO)~~ On 18 July, the External Referral Working Group (ERWG) met for the first time at its new host facility, the Department of State. The ERWG's Chair, [redacted] of the IMS Declassification Center, welcomed 30 attendees from 19 ERWG-member Federal agencies. The agenda included: (1) an evaluation of ERWG's 25 June 2001 Equity Recognition Conference; (2) a "Fundamentals of Records Management" briefing by NARA's David Langbart of the Life Cycle Management Division; (3) an overview by [redacted] of the IMS Declassification Center, on the CIA's recent efforts to identify 25-year old documents in remote locations such as national laboratories and military installations. The ERWG decided to set-up a half-day working session to formulate a recommendation for modifying E.O. 12958. [redacted]

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~~(U//AFO)~~ **From the Archives: Car Pooling "Develops Better Acquaintance Among Employees"**

~~(U//AFO)~~ According to the *History of the Foreign Documents Division 1946-1952*, which was recently reviewed at the IMS Declassification Center, the Division had to be temporarily relocated to a remote site in the Washington, DC area. "The generally remote location left branch personnel with little recourse to poor public transportation service, but perhaps eventually contributed to the general morale, as 'car pooling' developed better acquaintance among the employees."

- *The Foreign Documents Division was established to combine several World War II document exploitation units. It was originally part of the Central Intelligence Group and was folded into the the CIA when it was established in 1947. In the early days, the Division exploited captured German documents and some Soviet documents, and some 650,000 captured Japanese documents. In 1967 the Foreign Documents Division was transferred to the Foreign Broadcast Information Service (FBIS).* [redacted]

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~~(U//ATUO)~~ **Publications Review Board**

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~~(U//AFO)~~ Through the Office of Congressional Affairs, the Chairman of the Publications Review Board (PRB) responded to a request from the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence (SSCI) about the number of manuscripts the Board had denied in full over the last ten years. The SSCI's request is related to litigation by a former Department of Energy (DoE) employee against DoE, the Department of Defense, and CIA. The suit alleges that the three Executive branch agencies have prevented him from publishing his manuscript about China's nuclear weapons program.

- *The Board has reviewed 3059 manuscripts since 1 January 1991 and has "denied in full" only thirteen. Of these, four authors rewrote their submissions and obtained Board approval for publication. (S. Koch,*

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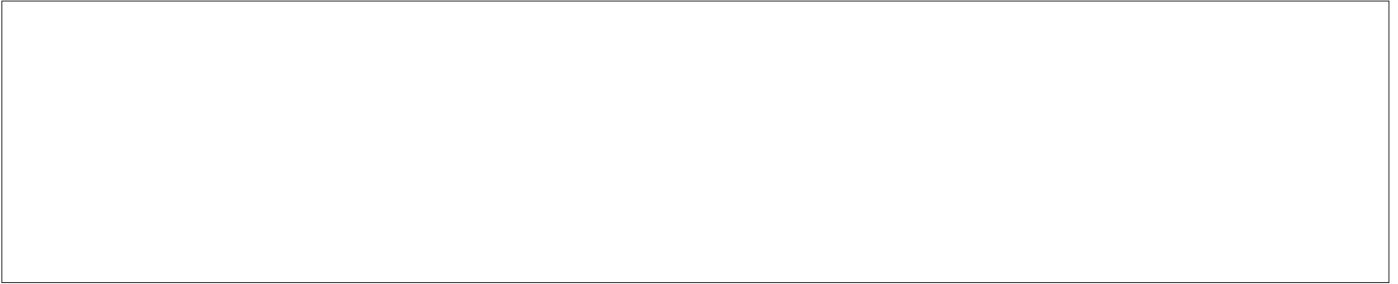
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