

***Information Review & Release (IRR) News for 4 February 2002 - 8 February 2002***  
***Executive Summary***

**Immediate Calendar:**

~~(U//ATUO)~~ **13 February 2002: Interagency Security Classification Appeals Panel (ISCAP):** Next Liaisons' meeting at EEOB, Washington, DC.

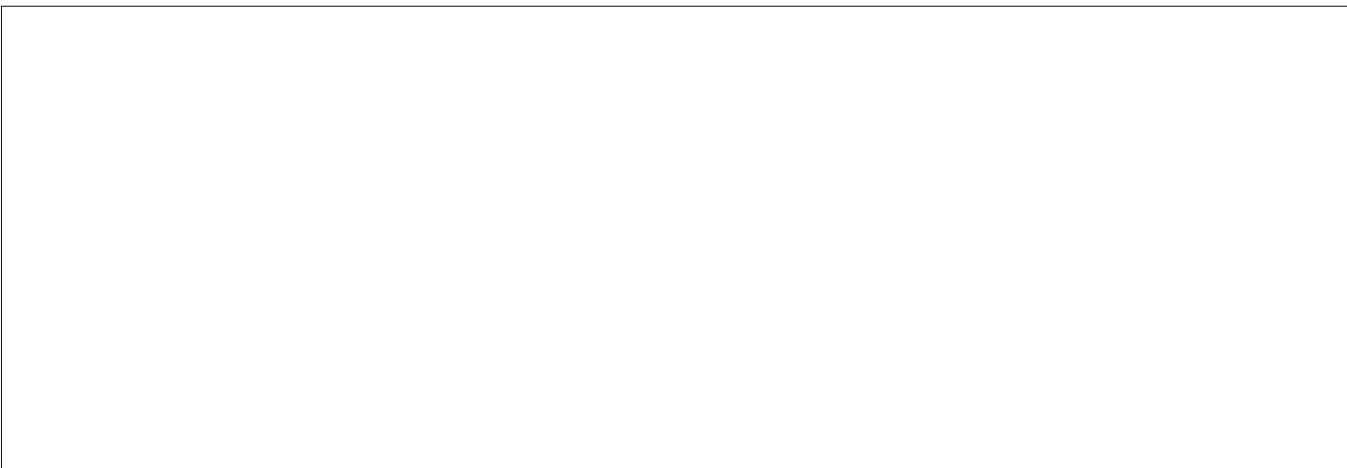
**Future Planning Calendar:**

~~(U//ATUO)~~ **21 February 2002: Interagency Security Classification Appeals Panel (ISCAP):** Next Principals' meeting (site to be determined).

~~(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)~~ **Litigation**



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

~~(U//ATUO)~~ **Film Company Seeks Information on Panama and Noriega**

~~(U//ATUO)~~ A California attorney submitted a lengthy request on behalf of Pan American Films, which is producing an English language documentary on US/Panama history. Several of the requested items concern General Manuel Noriega, including "CIA Director William Casey's memo regarding his November 1985 meeting with Noriega;" "all documents turned over by the CIA to the US Attorney's Office for the prosecution of Noriega;" and "all documents related to CIA Policy Review Group meetings regarding Noriega."

- The FOIA case officer sent the requester a letter acknowledging receipt of her request. The case officer will review the request to determine an appropriate response.

~~(U//ATUO)~~ **CIA Releases Documents on Soviet Lunar Program**

~~(U//ATUO)~~ In response to a request concerning "material on the former Soviet Union's manned Lunar circumnavigation and manned Lunar landing program for the years 1962 through 1973," the Agency reviewed and

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released 420 pages of responsive material. Many of the documents released to the requester were Space Event Reports produced by the DS&T during the time frame of the request. [redacted]

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**(U//~~ATUO~~) Italian Requester Interested in "The Pigs' Bay"**

(U//~~ATUO~~) A gentleman from Italy who indicates he is working on a degree submitted a request for information on "the Pigs' Bay." The FOIA case officer believes the requester is referring to the invasion at the Bay of Pigs in Cuba in 1961. The requester submitted the inquiry via fax, but did not include a return address.

- *On requests involving the Bay of Pigs, the CIA advises requesters of the recent release to the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) of the first group of records on the subject, as well as the Inspector General report from that collection, which is available on the CIA website.* [redacted]

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

**(U//~~ATUO~~) CDC Developing Plan to Review and Protect the Stansfield Turner Papers**

(U//~~ATUO~~) Representatives from the CIA Declassification Center (CDC) visited the Naval Historical Center at the Washington Navy Yard in response to a request to the DCI by former DCI Admiral Stansfield Turner. Admiral Turner is working with a researcher to prepare a history of his Naval career and tenure as DCI. Upon leaving office Admiral Turner provided a collection of records to the Naval Historical Center that he intends to use as the basis for the history. The records consist of about 180,000 pages of material that range from personal letters sent and received by Turner, to naval military records acquired during his years of naval service, to a wide range of material acquired during his years as DCI. CDC is developing a strategy to review and protect the records. [redacted]

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**(U//~~ATUO~~) From the Archives: In 1976, Security Takes a Position on Proposed Legislation**

(U//~~ATUO~~) The CIA's Director of Security, Robert Gambino, outlined his opposition to proposed legislation titled "Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act of 1976," in a memorandum to the General Counsel that was recently reviewed by the MSO team at the CIA Declassification Center. Mr. Gambino said, "It is our feeling that proposal of the amendment of Title 18, USC, is unwise because it necessitates the divulgence of sensitive information concerning foreign counterintelligence more widely than is required under existing legislation. The proposed bill would require applications for court approval of an electronic surveillance to include revelation to the court of sensitive security information relating to the intelligence activities of a foreign government in the United States and the degree to which we are witting of such activities. While we do not mean to impugn the integrity of such a court, security tradition and prudence suggest against any unnecessary revelation of sensitive information. Secondly, in contrast to the 'Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968' (PL 90-3510), the proposed bill contains no notation about the constitutional power of the President to take such measures he deems necessary to protect the Nation against attack, hostile acts of a foreign power, foreign intelligence activities, the overthrow of the Government by unlawful means, or any other clear and present danger. By such neglect, in our view, the proposed amendment denigrates the position of the executive." The Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act became law in 1978, and remains in effect today. [redacted]

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**(U//~~ATUO~~) Historical Review Panel**

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(U//~~ATUO~~) The Historical Review Panel (HRP) convened at [redacted] for its semi-annual meeting on 31 January. The Panel discussed many issues affecting information review and release at CIA, including how the events of 11 September have constrained resources for declassification work, current issues facing the Foreign Relations of the United State (FRUS) program, and a review of the Interagency Security Classification Appeals Panel (ISCAP.)

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[redacted] The HRP plans to meet again in June 2002.

- *The HRP is a prestigious seven-member panel of historians and academicians appointed by the DCI to*

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*advise him on declassification, historical research, and related issues. The HRP meets twice per year. Their meetings are hosted by Information Management Services.*

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