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**Information Review & Release (IRR) News for 14 - 18 October 2002
Executive Summary**

Immediate Calendar:

~~(U//AIUO)~~ **13 November 2002: Interagency Security Classification Appeals Panel (ISCAP):** Next Liaisons' meeting at Crystal City.

Future Planning Calendar:

~~(U//AIUO)~~ **19 November 2002: Interagency Security Classification Appeals Panel (ISCAP):** Next Principals' meeting at the EEOB in Washington, DC.

~~(U//AIUO)~~ **30-31 January 2003: Historical Review Panel:** Next meeting at

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~~(U//AIUO)~~ **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//AIUO)~~ **Agency Release Panel (ARP)**

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~~(U//AIUO)~~ **FOIA and Privacy Requests**

~~(U//AIUO)~~ **Australian Seeks United Airlines Flight 93 Seating Plan**

~~(U//AIUO)~~ An Australian post graduate student submitted a request seeking the seating plan for United Airlines Flight 93 of 11 September 2001, which crashed in Pennsylvania. He indicates that he is researching the events that occurred aboard that flight as part of his aviation management degree project and that his research project is based upon new factors affecting the safety of civil aviation emerging from the 11 September 2001 attacks on the United States and how best to prevent their recurrence.

- The FOIA case manager referred the requester to the Federal Aviation Administration.

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~~(U//AIUO)~~ **"No Records Located" Response Sparks Request for FOIA Procedures**

~~(U//AIUO)~~ A Professor of Law at Temple University submitted a request for "all documents regarding the procedures, criteria and standards for FOIA requests submitted to the CIA."

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~~(U//ATUO)~~ ERWG Holds October 2002 Meeting at [redacted]

(U//ATUO) The External Referral Working Group (ERWG) met on 16 October 2002 at [redacted]. The meeting was attended by representatives from 17 federal agencies including one contractor organization. ERWG's Chair, [redacted] Chief, CIA Declassification Center, asked [redacted] CIA, to informally update members on the status of the revision of EO 12958. Then, the Air Force Declassification Office (AFDO) conveyed final workshop details on ERWG's Equity Recognition Intelligence Focus Training scheduled for 21 October 2002. [redacted]

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[redacted] Also at this meeting, the ERWG hosted its sister group -- the Automation Working Group (AWG). The ERWG and AWG hold periodic joint meetings to assess various technological applications that might be useful in implementing EO 12958. AWG's Chair, Tom Curtis of the Department of Energy, introduced speakers from CIA, NSA, the Defense Prisoner of War/Missing Persons Office (DPMO), and the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA). Each speaker briefed the ERWG on their agency's automation programs. [redacted]

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~~(U//ATUO)~~ From the Archives: President Truman Thanks Yale for Sherman Kent in 1950

(U//ATUO) The DCI team at the CIA Declassification Center recently reviewed two documents that indicated the important support the academic community gives to the Agency. The two documents were 'thank you' letters to Yale President Dr. Whitney Griswold -- one from DCI Walter Bedell Smith and the other from President Truman -- thanking Yale University for granting leave to Dr. Sherman Kent to work for CIA. DCI Smith noted the "patriotic action of the University" and "Dr. Kent's great importance as a historian and educator." President Truman stated, "It is realized that Dr. Kent's services will be greatly missed by the University, but the importance of intelligence to the security of our country cannot be over emphasized."

- *Dr. Sherman Kent served 15 years as Chairman of the CIA's Board of National Estimates. He created the Studies in Intelligence journal in 1955 and was recognized as one of the Agency's 50 Trailblazers in 1997. The CIA University Sherman Kent School of Intelligence Analysis bears his name.* [redacted]

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Dr. Sherman Kent (1903-1986)

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