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NATIONAL INTELLIGENCE AUTHORITY

FUNCTIONS OF THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

Reference: N.I.A. 4

Memorandum by the Secretary

1. The Secretaries of State, War and the Navy have approved Enclosure "A" to N.I.A. 4 without change.

2. Admiral Leahy objected to the use of the word "agent" in paragraph 3 of that Enclosure because its legal connotation might imply unwarranted freedom of the Director of Central Intelligence to act for the National Intelligence Authority. The Director of Central Intelligence concurred that the possibility of such an interpretation of that paragraph was undesirable and explained that it was intended only to authorize him to act for the Authority in ensuring that its policies and objectives are properly implemented and executed. It was therefore agreed that this paragraph should be re-worded to make it clear that the Authority is not relinquishing its supervision and control, and to protect from unauthorized interference the rights of departmental intelligence agencies to collect, evaluate, correlate and disseminate departmental intelligence.

3. Enclosure "A" to N.I.A. 4 is therefore being circulated as N.I.A. Directive No. 5, with editorial revision of paragraph 3 thereof to read as follows:

"3. In addition to the functions specified in paragraph 3-b of the President's letter and in accordance with paragraph 4 of N.I.A. Directive No. 1, the Director of Central Intelligence is hereby authorized and directed to act for this

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Authority in coordinating all Federal foreign intelligence activities related to the national security to ensure that the over-all policies and objectives established by this Authority are properly implemented and executed."

JAMES S. LAY, JR.,  
Secretary, N.I.A.

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