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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Joint Intelligence Objectives Agency

- 1. At the end of a meeting of the Scientific, Technical. and Industrial Subcommittee, Lt. Col. L. L. Hanes, JIOA, informed. me that JIOA was feeling the need for advice and guidance in carrying out Project 63 and similar activities of a denial nature. They were aware of the occasional resentment caused overseas by their activities, and of errors which had been made in selecting individuals to whom contracts for work in the U.S. were offered. Col. Hanes wondered if O/SI would be able to furnish advice and assistance to JIOA in connection with the problems of determining suitable foreign scientists for their program. I assured him O/SI would be glad to give any assistance it could, and he agreed to draw together some specific problems during the next two weeks.
- 2. Col. Hanes incidentally remarked that consideration was currently being given to removing: JIOA from the JCS and placing it under the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Research and Development (Mr. Quarles). The principal reason for such a change being, apparently, a desire to put JIOA in a position where it could work more closely and understandingly with the scientific community.

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