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13 November 1957

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Office of Security
Attention: SRS - Mr. [REDACTED]

THROUGH: Deputy Director (Plans)

SUBJECT: Request for Project
alias [REDACTED]

1. Subject, [REDACTED] alias [REDACTED] defected to CIA in [REDACTED] in [REDACTED]. He confessed to being a [REDACTED] KGB, who served in [REDACTED] until his defection as an [REDACTED]. A copy of his biography is attached. [REDACTED]

Subject has been under interrogation by CIA personnel in a CIA safehouse.

Audio surveillance and Subject's own demands for money indicate that he has valuable information, such as [REDACTED] in the USA and abroad, that he is withholding. Although various methods of inducing Subject to give his information voluntarily have been tried and are being tried and although normal interrogation techniques are continuing, it appears that use of special interrogation techniques will be required in the near future at the CIA safehouse that is guarded by personnel of the Office of Security.

2. Subject appears to be physically fit. His consumption of alcoholic beverages, which was high, has been cut down considerably under the guidance of an Agency physician. At the time of his defection [REDACTED] Subject had hallucinations and gave other indications of severe emotional disturbance. [REDACTED] under handling suggested by the physician these have ceased and have not reoccurred.

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3. It is requested that necessary planning and coordination be initiated by your office with a view to utilization of Project interrogation methods on Subject during the week-end of 22-24 November 1957.

Agency Official

Attachment

APPROVED: Subject to the understanding and proviso that the actual employment (utilization) of this technique

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will not be undertaken without the specific prior approval of ~~the~~ Director of Security, and Agency Medical Officer who will consider

- a. The question whether this particular technique is better and more desirable than some other technique eg Substar
- and b. A weighing of the consequences and repercussions in the event of a violent adverse reaction on the part of subject.