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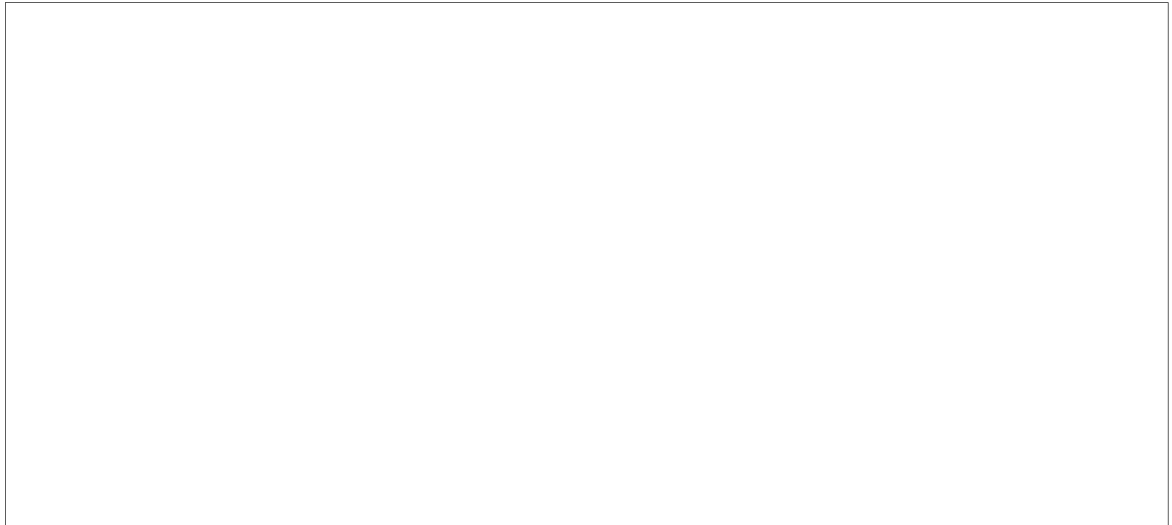
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**MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Officer, DD/S&T**

**SUBJECT: Items for General Cushman's Black Book**

**OEL proposes three significant items for General Cushman's attention:**



**c. Francis Gary Powers has retained a Los Angeles law firm who has written the President of the United States requesting military retirement benefits which had been allegedly denied him years ago. The record on this is not clear; however, the Air Force is presently offering Powers three options:**

**First, retirement from the Air Force at the rank of lieutenant colonel crediting Powers with his time in the Air Force, CIA and working on Government contracts for Lockheed.**

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Second, crediting Powers with his CIA and Air Force active duty time totaling twelve years and reinstating him in the Air Force for the next eight years until twenty years' Federal service are completed. Air Force assignment would be either to the U-2 squadron or as a pilot on MAC flights.

Third, reinstatement as above with assignment as detailee to CIA as a U-2 mission planner.

The above options are presently undergoing coordination within Air Force and CIA.

/s/ John N. McMahon

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