BRIEFING STATEMENT

TACANA

This statement pertains to a sensitive emplacement program known as TACANA. The descriptor, TACANA, when used in this connotation, is classified SECRET.

TACANA should be considered as a restrictive-access approval clearance for information regarding a unique emplacement technique. The information that is to be protected is as follows:

1. TACANA - A short-range emplacement system which utilizes a special vehicle for either reconnaissance or emplacement of stay-behind devices.

2. Methods of implementation which would tend to impair the security of the system, i.e., referring to the vehicle in connection with any specific operation or means of delivery.

3. The vehicle's capability for doing specific tasks and any operational scenarios designated.

The TACANA activity, therefore, should be regarded as a most sensitive endeavor of the United States intelligence effort. Restrictive security measures and controls have been established for TACANA. They entail a strict enforcement of the "need-to-know" principle. Access to TACANA information will be limited to an absolute minimum number of people.

Access approvals for TACANA information are granted only by CIA. A master index is maintained by OTD/ORD/DDS&T, and by SB/DDO. Participants who have a question regarding an individual's clearance status must verify the existence of the clearance prior to any discussion of TACANA.