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Action Memorandum No. A-375

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TO : Deputy Director/Intelligence

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SUBJECT :

REFERENCE:

1. The DCI has directed that the Central Intelligence Agency shall develop the best possible system for the handling of information, indexing and data processing. He wants the Agency system (or systems) to be the model for the intelligence community, and feels that by this method we will achieve more than through any organizational devices as proposed by 25X1

2. Would you take all necessary steps to implement this and advise me on at least a monthly basis.

(signed) Lyman B. Kirkpatrick
Lyman B. Kirkpatrick
Executive Director

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22 May 1964

MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director/Intelligence
Deputy Director/Science and Technology

SUBJECT : Action Memorandum A-375

REFERENCE : DD/S&T 1403-64 (15 May)

1. The following points are made in response to Mr. [redacted] request for clarification of subject action memorandum addressed to the DD/I.

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2. The DCI wants CIA to have the best possible information handling systems. This is not limited to [redacted] but is Agency-wide and includes the continued development of the NPIC and the DD/P systems.

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3. The action taken by USIB is not inconsistent with this objective inasmuch as USIB did not adopt the over-all [redacted] proposal but did approve the much more limited approach recommended by CODIB. This is simple recognition of the fact that CIA is after all not only part of the Intelligence Community but has leadership responsibilities in this field as well.

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4. As indicated by A-375 and by reason of providing the CODIB Chairmanship, the over-all responsibility for coordinating both the Agency effort and the Community effort lies with the DD/I, and more specifically with Mr. Borel. He, therefore, with guidance and assistance from appropriate representation from DD/P, DD/S&T and NPIC, will resolve conflicts which may arise from competition for scarce resources.

5. Matters not so settled will be brought by Mr. Borel to General Carter's attention through me.

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(signed) Lyman B. Kirkpatrick

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Executive Director

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15 MAY 1964

DD/S&T 1403-64

MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Director-Comptroller

SUBJECT:

REFERENCE: Action Memorandum A-375

1. This memorandum contains a request for information. That request is contained in paragraph 5.

2. The substance of referenced memorandum states that the CIA shall "develop the best possible system for the handling of information, indexing and data processing." It further states that "by this method we will achieve more than through any organizational device as proposed by

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The Agency unit of organization most concerned with implementing either information system as mentioned above is the Office of Computer Services.

3. Action Memorandum A-375 has been interpreted by us as stating that it is the policy of the DCI to restrict Agency participation in such an information handling system to that level of activity which is basically the current charter of Project Further, that this Agency will not participate at this time in a community-wide endeavor pointed toward the same goal.

4. The minutes of the United States Intelligence Board Meeting of 6 May disclose that that group authorized the establishment of a permanent Executive Secretariat to assist the Committee on Documentation of the U. S. Intelligence Board (CODIB) to further pursue the issue of a community-wide information processing system. It now appears to us that there may be conflict between the contents of referenced memorandum and the actions of USIB.

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5. We would appreciate receipt of information from you as to the position that should be taken by the Assistant Director for Computer Services in being responsive to requests for information and/or assistance from the Chairman of CODIB, in light of the previous advice given us in A-375.



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