

DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
THE DIRECTOR OF INTELLIGENCE AND RESEARCH  
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Dear Dick:

As you suggested in our meeting of August 16, I am enclosing an outline of a staff study on the problems we face in responding to NSAM 337. Some of the required material has already been made available through the SIGINT Committee and USIB. Where additional information seems to be required, I have suggested that one or another of our departments provide it. These suggestions for action are not intended necessarily to denote exclusive responsibility but merely to divide the labor at the staff level. In some cases (Sections II A, III A, and III B), it seems to me we should call on the SIGINT Committee and USIB for further help.

I am designating James W. Spain, Director of INR/RNA, to represent me in preparing the staff study. I hope you will appoint an appropriate officer within the Agency to work with him. In view of the time element involved, I think the work should start immediately so that the study can be completed by the end of next week. I suggest that shortly after that we meet again to discuss the staff study and to draft a response for our principals to NSAM 337. The staff study might be attached to this response.

With warmest personal regards.

Sincerely yours,

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Thomas L. Hughes

Enclosures: 2 copies of staff study

The Honorable  
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