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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT  
NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL  
WASHINGTON

August 5, 1957

MEMORANDUM FOR: The Statutory Members of the National  
Security Council and the Director of  
Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Recommendations Nos. 1 and 10 of the  
Report to the President by the Pres-  
ident's Board of Consultants on For-  
eign Intelligence Activities

The President has approved the enclosed memorandum  
on the subject as of this date.

The enclosure is accordingly circulated herewith for  
information and guidance.

S. EVERETT GLEASON  
Acting Executive Secretary

cc: The Secretary of the Treasury  
The Director, Bureau of the Budget  
The Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff

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I have considered the proposals of the President's Board of Consultants on Foreign Intelligence and the comments on those recommendations. I concur in the need for strong centralized direction of the intelligence effort of the United States through the National Security Council and the Director of Central Intelligence. The exercise of a more comprehensive and positive coordinating responsibility by the Director of Central Intelligence can be of the utmost value to the entire intelligence community and strengthen the national intelligence effort.

I have also concurred in the recommendation of the Director of Central Intelligence that he appoint a Deputy Director for Coordination, who will review all possibilities for increasing integration, reducing duplication, and improving coordination within the intelligence community; and, after such review, will recommend, when necessary, action by the Director of Central Intelligence to coordinate all elements of the intelligence community. This work should be carried out in full consultation with appropriate representatives of all of our intelligence agencies. The Director of Central Intelligence has appointed General Lucian K. Truscott, Jr., Retired, for this duty.

All members of the intelligence community will render the Director of Central Intelligence the fullest possible cooperation in the accomplishment of this objective.

DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER

cc: The Secretary of the Treasury  
The Director, Bureau of the Budget  
The Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff