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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

THROUGH : Deputy Director for Support *Law* 24 DEC 1963

SUBJECT : Communications with President Johnson

1. This is for your information.

2. The White House Communications Agency has informed me that their personnel have now completed the installation of a communications center on the LBJ ranch in Texas to be maintained and operated while the President is in residence at his ranch. They have provided sufficient terminal cryptographic equipment, circuitry and personnel to accomodate message traffic to and from the President, his advisors and others having messages to send to the ranch including CIA.

3. If CIA has special requirements involving extremely sensitive traffic requiring privacy handling, provisions will be made so that a CIA cryptographer can communicate directly between the ranch and the CIA Langley Building. To meet this requirement WHCA has agreed to provide the necessary circuitry, equipment and operating area for agency use within the confines of their own communications center. CIA will provide the cryptographic keying material, procedures and personnel. It is understood that this requirement will not interfere with the normal priority of Presidential traffic.

4. The substance of the above has been noted by Colonel McNally, Chief, WHCA and has his concurrence.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence
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1. At the request of the DCI, the following information has been confirmed by the White House Communications Agency with reference to communications between CIA and President Johnson during those periods when the President is outside the Washington, D.C. area.

2. For communications between the CIA and the President when CIA does not have a representative as a member of the party:

The White House Communications Agency will provide secure teletype communications between CIA, other Washington government agencies and the President wherever he is, via the White House Signal Center.

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3. For communications between CIA and a CIA member of the Presidential party:

The White House Communications Agency will provide a limited amount of communications service using their secure teletype facilities for through communications between CIA and a CIA member of the Presidential Party. If privacy is a requirement, the CIA member will be provided with a cryptographic capability, including CIA personnel to operate it. In some instances where traffic volumes are anticipated to be high, separate communication facilities will also be provided by CIA. We will work out the details for this with the WHCA in the next few days.

4. Normally voice facilities, including secure voice (KY-9) when the President is in the United States, will be available to the Presidential Party by contacting the White House switchboard.

5. All White House communications personnel possess Top Secret, Cryptographic and Special Intelligence clearances.

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