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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Report by J. Patrick Coyne on Meeting of Gen. Hull and Mr. Coyne with Messrs. Stans, Staats and Macy of the Bureau of the Budget

1. Mr. Coyne reported to the DCI and the undersigned on his lengthy discussions with Messrs. Macy and Ecker regarding the Bureau of the Budget's desire to do a survey of the intelligence community starting with the NSCIDs, DCIDs, the USIB and its subcommittees, examining the over-all picture of coordination. His report is almost identical to that of Col. White in his 7 December memorandum of his meeting with Bureau of the Budget representatives.

2. Mr. Coyne said that as a follow-up to this he and Gen. Hull met with Mr. Stans at 1000 on 14 December. Stans said he had told the President that he had 10 or 12 surveys in mind and the President told him to go ahead. Stans then related what he had in mind as far as the communications and the intelligence studies were concerned and, according to Coyne, Stans' view was not as broad or comprehensive as that which had been earlier proposed by Macy. Stans told Gen. Hull that since the intelligence community spent nearly [redacted] he felt that a broad look at coordination was required. Gen. Hull said that while he did not wish to be obstructive in this matter, he thought Mr. Stans should realize that this was precisely the area the President's Board had been covering in the last three years. Gen. Hull then used the annex of the report to the President to give Mr. Stans a general indication of the types of recommendations the Board had made. Mr. Stans then asked if the Bureau of the Budget could see the semiannual reports to the Board or the Board's reports to the President and the replies to these reports. Gen. Hull said he considered these to be privileged documents and suggested that Mr. Stans address this request to the President, but that, on the other hand, Mr. Coyne would be very glad to discuss these matters with Bureau of the Budget representatives, and that he would be happy to provide them any assistance that he could.

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Addenda. At 1000 on 15 December Mr. Coyne called to say that Mr. Ecker of the Bureau of the Budget had already called him to ask to

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see the semiannual reports. Coyne said he had advised Ecker that it was not his understanding that these reports were to be made available to the Bureau of the Budget. He said he did not want to seem obstructive, but he thought it had been made clear in the previous day's meeting that these were considered to be privileged documents. He said he would be glad to discuss with Ecker specific subjects but he could not make Board documents available. Coyne said he had telephoned Gen. Hull in New York and reconfirmed this position.

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Inspector General

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