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MEMORANDUM FOR: General Carter

SUBJECT : Mission and Functions of DD/R

25X1 1. [ ] of my staff has, during Mr. Kirkpatrick's absence, attempted to coordinate a notice on the mission and functions of DD/R (attached). He has reached an impasse. As I understand it, DD/P at the working level will concur in this notice. The Acting DD/R, however, does not feel that he can concur in the notice since he has not yet been told by the DDCI just what the DD/R responsibilities are to be. He does not think that this notice is clear in this respect and, pending receipt of such instructions from the DDCI, does not desire to submit a counterproposal.

2. Insofar as DD/S functions are concerned, in principle we would be happy to turn over our [ ] ELINT responsibilities if this is desired. However, I have grave reservations as to the DD/R ability to staff a big and important project like [ ] without additional, similar activities to which personnel can be rotated. I also would caution that the Office of Communications has no clearly delineated ELINT organization to be transferred intact to DD/R, and there cannot be a reduction in the Communications Engineering Staff equivalent to the increase which will probably be necessary in DD/R. It would therefore appear that this will unavoidably call for either increased budget and personnel ceiling or reductions in other parts of the Agency in order to accommodate the requirement.

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3. Since you and Mr. Kirkpatrick have been working on this, I had not attempted to inject myself into the discussions; and I have considered [ ] to be acting as Mr. Kirkpatrick's agent. He is, however, available to brief you; and I would, of course, be glad to discuss it if you think I could be of any assistance.

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