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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy to the DCI for the Intelligence Community

FROM : [redacted] 25X1
Chairman, Security Committee

SUBJECT : Executive Order 11905, Matters Affecting the Security Committee

1. This memorandum is in response to your request of 11 May 1976 for a summary of the DCI's security responsibilities contained in Executive Order 11905 and for progress being made by the Security Committee toward implementation.

2. The security responsibilities of the DCI under the new Executive Order are not entirely new. Much has been accomplished in the past in the way of DCIDs and organizational structure of the Security Committee which meet the needs of the Executive Order, such as:

DCID 1/7, "Control of Dissemination of Foreign Intelligence"

DCID 1/10, "Security Policy Guidance on Liaison Relationships with Foreign Intelligence Organizations and Foreign Security Services"

DCID 1/14, "Minimum Personnel Security Standards and Procedures Governing Eligibility for Access to Sensitive Compartmented Information"

DCID 1/16, "Security of Compartmented Computer Operations"

DCID 1/11, "Security Committee".

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DCID 1/11 established the Security Committee and subcommittees for Computer Security, Compartmentation, Technical Surveillance Countermeasures and Research and Development, the Interagency Training Center for counteraudio instruction, and Physical Security Standards for SCI.

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3. Security Committee actions currently being considered which will assist the DCI in executing his responsibilities under the Executive Order and the applicable sections of the E.O. are as follows:

(a) Section 4(d)(vii), Executive Order 11905: The DCI shall be responsible for ensuring that appropriate programs are developed which properly protect intelligence sources, methods and analytical procedures. His responsibility within the United States shall be limited to:

(1) Protection by lawful means against disclosure by present or former employees of the Central Intelligence Agency or persons, or employees of persons or organizations, presently or formerly under contract with the Agency;

Why only CIA employees as DCI, Why not all!

(2) providing leadership, guidance and technical assistance to other government departments and agencies performing foreign intelligence activities; and

(3) in cases involving serious or continuing security violations, recommending to the Attorney General that the case be referred to the Federal Bureau of Investigation for further investigation.

(b) Section 4(d)(viii), Executive Order 11905: Establish a vigorous program to downgrade and declassify foreign intelligence information as appropriate and consistent with Executive Order 11652.

Security Committee ongoing actions in these areas are:

-- DCID 1/--, "Security Policy Concerning Travel and Assignment of Personnel With Access to SCI",

-- Working Group establishing minimum personnel security standards for persons granted access to sources and methods information (non-SCI),

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-- Working Group considering unauthorized disclosures problem and developing recommendations to combat these,

-- Declassification Guidelines are now in the ICRC for coordination,

-- Community-Wide, Computer-Assisted Compartmentation Control System (4Cs),

-- Computer Threat Assessment,

-- Optical and TV Threat Assessments,

-- Interagency Telephone Laboratory, with FBI requested to be the Executive Agent.

(c) Section 4(d)(x), Executive Order 11905, requires the establishment for the community of common security standards for managing and handling foreign intelligence systems, information and products and for granting access thereto. Action underway:

-- Working Group on procedures of control and dissemination of compartmented information.

(d) Section 7(a), Executive Order 11905, requires that in order to improve the protection of sources and methods of intelligence, all members of the Executive Branch and its contractors given access to information containing sources or methods information shall sign a nondisclosure agreement as a condition of access.

-- The Security Committee has completed action on a proposed DCID setting forth the scope and requirements of such agreements for implementation by the community. This DCID has been forwarded to the DCI for signature.

(e) Section 7(d), Executive Order 11905, requires that further pursuit of the need to provide protection for other significant

areas of intelligence, the Director of Central Intelligence is authorized to promulgate rules and regulations to expand the scope of agreements secured from those persons who, as an aspect of their relationship with the United States Government, have access to classified intelligence material.

-- The Security Committee has constituted a working group which is considering the scope of agreements secured from persons having access to classified intelligence information. This working group has completed its work on Section 7(a) above, and is continuing to consider 7(d).

-- It should also be pointed out that Dr. Proctor's group is also actively engaged in establishing methods of control and dissemination of intelligence materials as well as the declassification of these materials.

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