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16 October 1957

MEMORANDUM FOR: General Truscott

SUBJECT : Revision of NSCID #5

1. Attached herewith are the mats of the draft of NSCID #5 which incorporates the agreed changes made at the interagency working group meetings of 9 and 14 October, and a draft of a memorandum transmitting this draft to the IAC for consideration.

2. There were no official "reservations" on any point. However, it was indicated that the military services may bring up the following items either at the IAC meeting on NSCID #5 or at the time the overall review is made of the complete package of NSCIDs:

On para. 1.a. The Army may propose adding the following words at the end of this paragraph: ", usually through the use of agent personnel."

On para. 3. One or more of the military services may question the validity and/or advisability of establishing the CIA as the "national clandestine service of the U. S.". The JIG may question its validity on the ground that the JCS has already taken a position that there is no national clandestine service in the U. S.; the Air Force may question its advisability on the ground that misinterpretation of this portion of the directive could lead to a cut or elimination of their funds for the clandestine activities they are authorized to conduct under the terms of this directive; the Army may take the view that such a statement is "unnecessary".

On para. 7. The JIG may raise the point that reference to senior military commanders should be in the singular as it is the unified commander who is in command of the area involved; the individual military services may object to such a proposal on the basis that it would upset present arrangements, especially in Europe, and would be a basic change from the current provisions of DCID 5/1.

On para. 8. The JIG may raise the point that the provisions should provide that all CIA assets will be assigned to the CIA Force and be under the Theater Commander; they may also raise the point that the theater commander should be consulted on exceptional operations as well as the JCS.

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On the subject of liaison in general: The military services will probably promote discussion of this subject for purposes of clarification.

3. It is my view that we will not get any real dissent from this paper at the IAC level unless one of the military intelligence chiefs wishes to challenge the position of the DCI and/or the Agency.



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