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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: PBSUCCESS -- List of Defense Support Issues

1. During a meeting with Col. Brad Smith and [ ] on 13 Jan 54, Col. Smith indicated that he would welcome a list specifying in some detail all the various issues that involved Defense Department support in one way or another relative to PBSUCCESS.

2. I told the Col. that it might be possible to devise some method whereby such a list could be made in a secure manner. In this connection, operational details would have to be omitted; also, the various listings would have to be worded so that nobody could construe, even remotely, an outline of the actual operation. The paper would, of course, carry the highest classification.

3. Col. Smith was given to understand that we would have to think this matter over since the operation was kept under such close wraps that very little was recorded in black and white outside the relatively small operational unit within the Agency. Col. Smith said that he appreciated this and would leave it completely up to us to handle the matter within the framework of strict operational security.

4. Action: It will be necessary for CWH to discuss the above with appropriate PBSUCCESS staff members prior to placing the matter before DD/P and COP during one of the scheduled Tuesday meetings.

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On 19 Jan 54, the above was discussed with DD/P who agreed that the list as required by Col. Smith should be made up and kept up to date as appropriate. HVT.

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