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MEMORANDUM FOR : Project Security Officer  
SUBJECT : RAINBOW Control System

1. It is recommended by the undersigned that it be generally conceded that everybody in Project Headquarters is aware of Project RAINBOW and that due to this general knowledge, control of RAINBOW documents be turned over to RI for routine handling. To support the above statement, I would like to submit the following.
2. First, it should be recognized that all Staff personnel have access to the Staff Meeting Minutes and RAINBOW has been quite freely referred to in these memoranda, which are not under RAINBOW SAPC control, nor distributed to only RAINBOW cleared personnel.
3. Information obtained from the above referenced memoranda coupled with conversation among the Staff makes the undersigned believe that the complete Project Headquarters Staff is witting to some degree if not entirely witting of the purpose and use of RAINBOW.
4. Therefore, I do not believe that the present system of having special SAPC control over RAINBOW documents is accomplishing what was expected. Further, it is a time consuming job for our secretarial staff which could readily be released to the RI Staff for maintenance and up-keep in their own system.
5. I might point out, for example, two cases which outline the uselessness of the present system. A RAINBOW cleared staff member had a document which needed typing at just five o'clock the other evening and requested the assistance of [redacted] secretary on the Commo Staff, who is not RAINBOW cleared. This memo was typed in the usual SAPC style, and left of [redacted] desk for Mr. Bissell's signature that evening. [redacted] immediately brought the document to this office, questioning why this memo was not under RAINBOW control. This was the first we heard of any such document. The next morning [redacted], who was unaware of any special system for RAINBOW documents until that time, came to this office to request assistance in the proper control.
6. Another such letter was written on RAINBOW matters, with an SAPC NUMBER procured from RI, with an "R" noted after the number. This letter

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was also dictated to an uncleared secretary, [REDACTED] of Contracts. Copies were sent to Finance (with [REDACTED] being the only member of that Staff cleared for RAINBOW) and one forwarded to [REDACTED] who is not cleared. This memorandum was brought to the attention of this office by [REDACTED] of the RI Staff as it passed through that office for mailing.

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7. Neither of the above documents revealed any pertinent RAINBOW information, but are cited for examples of lack of control over such documents.

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8. You may wish to have the undersigned or [REDACTED] take the necessary action to accomplish the above recommendation.

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