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MEMORANDUM FOR : Project Security Officer (Rainbow)

SUBJECT : Clearance USAF and USN Personnel, Aq. and Rainbow

1. Mr. Bissell met with Col. Ralph Nunziato (USAF) and Capt. Thomas Walker (USN) on 24 April to discuss the results of the ad hoc group which looked into the implications of Rainbow on the

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These studies would of course involve clearing personnel in both services. Mr. Bissell approved in principle clearing such personnel to enable their studies to get underway. Attached are lists of the names of the people USAF and USN wish to have cleared.

2. It is requested that you take the necessary action to run clearance on these individuals and when such clearances are approved that you furnish the Project Director such information. If these clearances come through in dribblets instead of as a complete list I suggest that you notify Col. Nunziato or Capt. Walker of the individuals cleared as they come through. Of course it would be more desirable if we could get the entire group cleared as rapidly as possible and forward this information on the complete list to the Project Director to pass to the Air Force and Navy representatives.

3. For your information, Mr. Bissell expressed concern to the two representatives regarding the great number of people they were asking for clearance and forcefully suggested to them that this not develop into a chain letter type of clearance throughout the services. He indicated to them that the services should not take the approach that deputies and executives working for the cleared individuals needed to be briefed in order to handle information in the absence of the cleared individual. When such absences occurred, action would have to be delayed until the witting person could handle it.

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Deputy Project Director

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List USAF Pers.
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