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TO : Director of Training  
THRU : Chief, Operations School

DATE: 15 June 1959

FROM : Chief, Field Training

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SUBJECT: Weekly Activities Report #23, Field Training, [REDACTED]  
Period 8 to 12 June 1959

1. During the reporting week the students of OC #8 were on leave. In a call from [REDACTED], I was informed that apparently all but five of the JOT's had been assigned and that the identity of the five in question would be furnished us at a later date. [REDACTED] stressed the fact that the failure to place the five in question was no fault of their own but that we should be on the lookout for any signs of discouragement on their part.

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2. In preliminary reports from [REDACTED] as to the status of the OFC "Skills" portion, I am satisfied that a great effort will be necessary to be ready to run the first Skills portion on 16 November of this year. I made quite a point of impressing Bill with the fact that we would certainly need his unstinting help to draft the extension of the OFC.

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As you know, technically speaking, Bill's tour of duty ends on 1 August. I told Bill that we would certainly appreciate his remaining long enough to assist us in the running of OFC #18 which is scheduled to begin on 21 September. In the preliminary discussions with Bill, he stated very forcefully that given the present staff it would be practically impossible to prepare the Skills portion by 16 November. I made it quite clear that it was no longer a question as to whether we would or would not run the OFC Skills portion but that how good it would be by the time of the opening date. I told him that we were committed to inaugurating that section of the OFC by that time. I urged him to let the OFC go and concentrate all his energies on the Skills portion and to give me as soon as possible his views as to what help we would need to prepare the Skills portion in plenty of time for its running.

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We again discussed the Skills portion on 11 June at which time [redacted] informed me that he would be willing to remain here long enough to do the writing necessary for this course and to run it at least the first time. In effect, Bill was asking that he be put in charge of the OFC for this period, but I informed him that I would have to consider just exactly what the management arrangements would be. I had discussed with him previously the possibility that the OFC and the OC would be combined, and that both courses might very well be placed under the responsibility of [redacted] made it quite clear to me that he would find working for [redacted] very unsatisfactory. As you might well imagine, any combining of faculties and courses will raise problems such as this. However, I don't believe that they are insurmountable problems.

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I have also assigned [redacted] who took the OFC some time ago, to work almost exclusively with [redacted] in the preparation of materials for the Skills portion.

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3. The second running of the JCS course from 8 to 12 June was extremely well received. This course began a little slowly; I gathered that the calibre of officers attending this particular running was a bit lower than that of the first group of men who came here. Also, several of the individuals in attendance appeared to be looking for areas in which they might be able to criticize the Agency.

I think that OTR left little to be desired in its physical support of this group and in the precision with which the schedule was carried out. At the same time our contribution to the course was extremely well received. There was some criticism of a lecture given by [redacted] on "Clandestine Internal Communications" and even this was somewhat unjustified. The person complaining was [redacted] (Corps), who expressed the belief that so experienced and high level a group should not have been addressed by an enlisted man. [redacted] the senior officer present, made a point of informing [redacted] in speaking of [redacted] criticism, to the effect that many Navy chiefs could teach and were teaching Admirals.

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There is this to be said, however, and this is a criticism actually of my office, that hereafter any schedule for special groups will include the most

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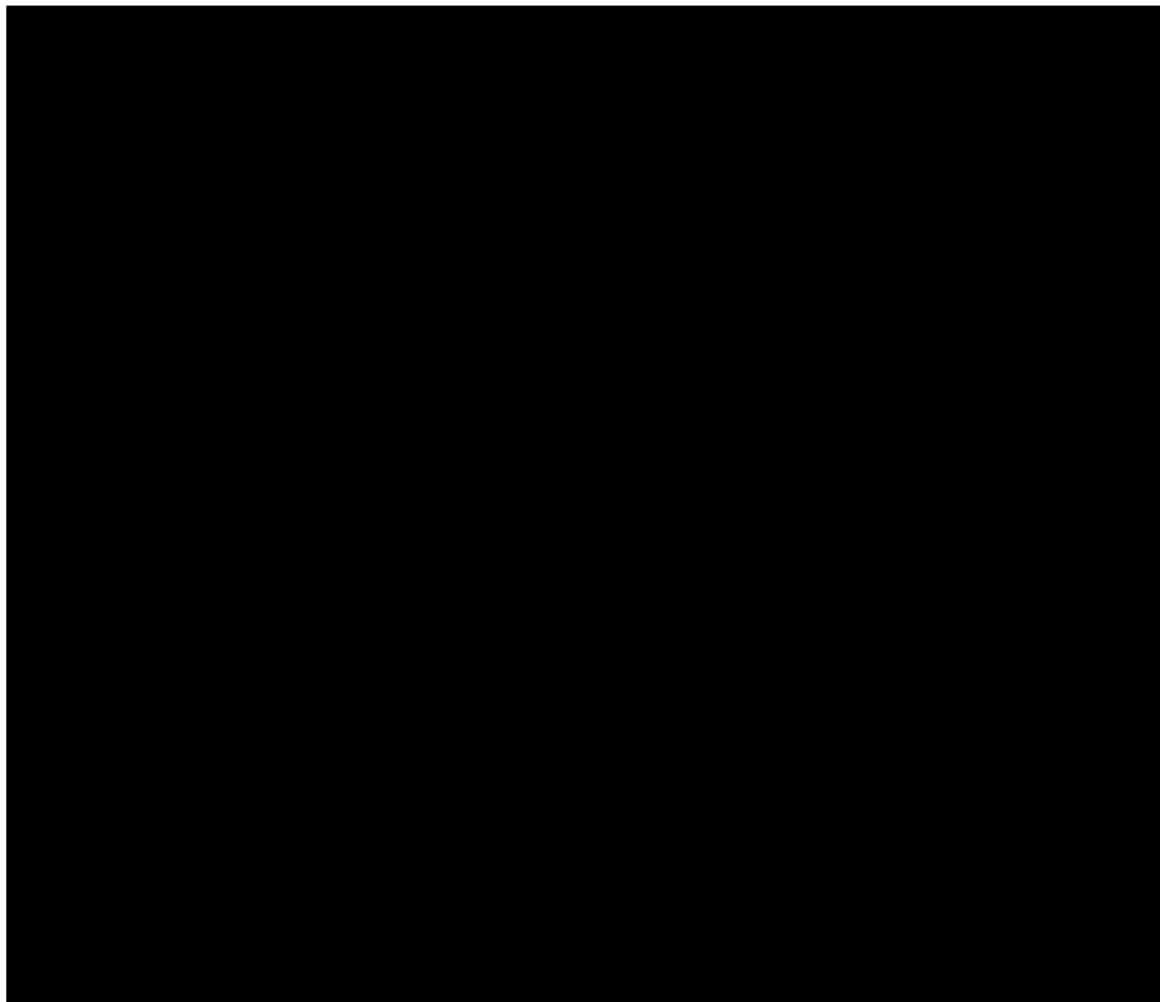
qualified man on this Base to present a given subject irrespective of the branch sponsoring the course or exercise. I must admit that [REDACTED] is not the most qualified man on this staff to deliver a lecture on "Clandestine Internal Communications." The lot of delivering this particular lecture fell to Doug only because CFA was the staff committed to supporting this course.

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This very small exception to an otherwise well accepted course is brought to your attention only to reaffirm what I am sure you already believe: that individuals on this staff must be used interchangeably and not be confined by the artificial confines of faculties.

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4. SOC: [REDACTED] Chief of the Industrial Register, and three of his branch chiefs visited Field Training on 8 June to check on the progress of three of his personnel who are taking SOC #4.



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ATB participated in the JCS Symposium with both lectures and demonstrations. Our demonstrations went off like clock-work and are believed to have been most effective.

6. ASMC #14 ended on 12 June 1959 and was an extremely well run and successful course. A happy combination of course improvements which will be commented on in greater detail in the Course Report and an enthusiastic student body made this running particularly noteworthy.

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[REDACTED] has agreed to talk with A&E representatives concerning items on the proposed rating device. Thursday, 18 June is the only day next week which he is available. [REDACTED] will check with the A&E staff on the suitability of this date.

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9. We had the pleasure of interviewing and talking with [REDACTED] during the reporting week and he appears to be the kind of officer that would make a real contribution to our effort here. He is expected to return on 18 June at which time final arrangements will be made for his occupancy of one of the Agency-owned houses in town. His occupancy of this particular house will help ease our housing problems and will at the same time facilitate [REDACTED] disposing of this property later.

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