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MEMORANDUM FOR: Special Assistant to the Director
for Planning and Coordination

SUBJECT: OSI External Research Projects
on "Medical Research" and
"World Atlas of Epidemiology"

1. Medical Research Project:

(a) This project was initially submitted in 1952. The estimated cost has fluctuated between [REDACTED]. A major reason for the delay in OSI's submitting the project for final approval was OCD's objections to it on the grounds that it was a duplication of other CIA-financed projects such as the Monthly List of Russian Accessions, the Cyrillic Union Subject Catalog, and the East European Accessions List. These issues have been resolved.

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(b) Recommendation: At today's PRC meeting, I recommend you assure yourself that this project can be performed more efficiently and economically externally than it could be within the Agency -- by OSI, OCD, and FDD, with the cooperation of the Armed Forces Medical Library.

2. World Atlas of Epidemiology: I do not believe that this project will be reviewed before PRC since its cost is less than [REDACTED]. I have reviewed the project previously, however, and found no objection to it.

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3. You will probably be asked to review another OSI project on "Support for the US [REDACTED] ELINT Program" in the amount of [REDACTED]. This project is really a continuation of a 1951 project

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(OSI-79-51), approved anew in 1952, 1953, and 1954. The project involves transfer of equipment to [REDACTED] rather than research. I see no objection to it.

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