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29 July 1958

MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Support)

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SUBJECT : Approval of Per Diem Payment to Major [redacted]
[redacted] USAF

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1. Your approval is requested for the payment of a per diem allowance to Major [redacted] for the period 26 April through 26 May 1958. A special approval is necessary in this case because during the period cited, Major [redacted] was technically assigned PCS to the Washington area and was performing duty in that area.

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2. I recognize that this is a rather unusual situation and, therefore, offer the following in support of this request: Major [redacted] entered on duty with DPS/DCI as a military detail from the Air Force on 14 August 1956. Beginning on 29 August 1956, he performed temporary duty at our western test site and at [redacted] overseas through 11 April 1958. He arrived at Washington, D. C., on 17 April 1958 and then departed on a period of leave which terminated with his reporting to DPS Headquarters for duty on 26 April 1958. It had been our intention until then to return [redacted] to the Air Force for reassignment; however, it developed that there was a critical temporary need for his specialty (navigator-flight planner) within Project CHALICE. Major [redacted] performed this duty, which was of a shift work nature and therefore incurred considerable quarters and subsistence type expenses in Washington. It was then decided that it would be to the advantage of the Government to retain Major [redacted] in this DPS Headquarters assignment rather than return him to the Air Force as originally planned. The Air Force was notified of this decision on 27 May 1958.

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3. One additional fact bears crucially on the problem; Major [redacted] residence and family had remained in Columbus, Ohio, during his entire period of overseas TDY and during the period in question. Thus, though he was technically PCS to Washington, he in fact was required at our direction to maintain two residences; the conditions justifying per diem payments were in effect. Per diem in fact was

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paid in accordance with DPS policy during the period when Major [redacted] was overseas but we have been unable to effect per diem payments for the period 26 April through 26 May 1958 because of the technicality of his PCS assignment to Washington. It seems entirely fair to me that a per diem payment be made for this period under the circumstances cited. The 26 May close-out date has been chosen because it was at this time that the intent to make him a true Washington PCS was confirmed.

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4. An investigation of our records in connection with this case has disclosed that there are a few others--not more than five--with roughly similar circumstances. Your approval to handle these additional cases in accordance with the procedure decided upon in the [redacted] case is also requested. This request is made in order to preclude the necessity for presenting additional minor cases to you should such claims be presented to us for payment.

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APPROVED (paragraphs 1 ~~and 4~~) *ISI Rkw*

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Deputy Director (Support)

** Paragraph 1, above, is approved under the provisions of R 30-110, paragraph 9a. A Blanket approval as suggested in paragraph 4, however, would be contrary to the intent of the cited regulation, and would, in effect, constitute a re-delegation of the approval authority. Subsequent cases should therefore be submitted for individual consideration.

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