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TO : Director of Training

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FROM : Chief, Plans and Policy Staff

subject: Agency Reserve Training Matters

- 1. New Requirements for Military Education for Reserve Officers. In the Agency Reserve training meetings held on Tuesday, 20 September 1960, the Agency's military reserve officers were forewarned of new Army Reserve training policies affecting the promotion and retention of reserve officers. For example, Military Intelligence reserve officers will be expected to maintain the same level of professional know-how as their active duty counterparts. This is supposed to be accomplished through education and training. And this presents special problems to Agency reservists:
 - a. While the present Agency Reserve training program, with its three-year cycle, is acceptable to the Armed Forces for purposes of amassing retirement points for training duty (one point for each two-hour meeting and one additional point for each two-hour stint as an instructor), it is not acceptable for purposes of satisfying military education requirements. The latter must, therefore, be accomplished through (1) correspondence courses, (2) the 12-15 days' annual active training duty, preferably now at a school, and (3) attendance at local USAR schools at Fort Myer, Virginia. (The latter, for the most part, are reported to be pretty poor.) The reserve officer would probably do better as a military reservist if he joined a non-Agency reserve unit and accomplished strictly military training.
 - b. This, however, is difficult, and besides, CIA wants its military reserve officers to belong to the "Agency units" and to participate in the Agency Reserve training program which is geared to the Agency's mobilization and war plans.
 - c. Last, the opportunities for really pertinent reserve training, other than for tedious and time-consuming correspondence courses, are limited, and the word does not get 'round. It is understood that MMPD, despite its sincere efforts, is not always made aware of training opportunities.

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2. A further complication is the training at least the latter, if possible in FY 1961, will meet Agency Reserve training needs, and serve to give training "points" to reservists but not training credit as military education. In addition, MMPD notes that the staff has recommended to DD/P that Agency reserve officers take the Contingency Force refresher course (three weeks for two weeks military credit as well as Agency civilian training credit). The Contingency Force training can hardly be given military credit, under the existing "rules." On the other hand, some military training is very pertinent to Agency needs and it ought to be reflected in the individual employee's Agency Training Record. R/TR has suggested that this be done.

3. It is, therefore, recommended that

- a. The <u>OTR</u> <u>Bulletin</u> regularly publish announcements of military training opportunities open to Agency reservists. (Information for such announcements would be provided by MMPD, and the latter would continue to handle enrollments and other administrative details.)
- b. OTR, in the course of its usual liaison with Army schools, etc., give appropriate assistance to MMPD in unearthing additional training opportunities.
- c. Military training, accomplished in regular schools or courses, be entered in the Agency Training Record.

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