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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

SUBJECT: Report to the NIA

I. Progress:

A. General Statement: Steadily increasing progress has been made in three specific phases of the intelligence production program, namely: (1) in the development of working relationships with colateral and with participating governmental agencies, (2) in the organizational and functional development of ORE, and (3) in the actual conduct of intelligence planning, coordination, research and production activities.

B. Development of Working Relationships:

1. With the State-War-Navy Coordinating Committee (SWNCC): Relationships with SWNCC, currently operative, provide for: (a) participation of designated ORE representatives on appropriate SWNCC subcommittees, (b) complete exchange of SWNCC papers and CIG Staff Intelligence, and (c) ORE participation in preparation of the intelligence portions of SWNCC papers.

2. With Joint Research and Development Board: In implementation of established agreements between JRDB and CIG, wherein ORE acts as the scientific intelligence facility of JRDB, detailed working arrangements have been established, formulation of a National Scientific Intelligence Program has been initiated, JRDB has started a flow of requests to ORE for scientific and technical intelligence information and intelligence, consideration of Scientific Intelligence Requirements has been made in collaboration with JRDB and the IAB agencies

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and ORE has made continuing progress in meeting JROB requirements.

3. With the Atomic Energy Commission (AEC): In implementation of established general agreements between AEC and CIG, a specific working plan has been prepared and submitted by CIG to AEC for study. In addition, the promulgation of NIA Directive #9 assuring inter-departmental coordination of collection, production and dissemination of intelligence pertaining to foreign atomic energy developments will assist ORE in meeting its proposed responsibilities to AEC.

C. Organizational and Functional Development: Based upon the above mentioned working relationships and the establishment of an overall program for the production of CIG reports and estimates, re-delineation of the mission and functions of ORE has been accomplished. Specifically, the Nuclear Energy Group has been established in the Scientific Branch and activated by the transfer of the intelligence facility of the former Manhattan Engineer District. A Basic Intelligence Staff has been established to coordinate the production of, and arrange for the editing, review and publication of, intelligence produced by all agencies operating under the Basic Intelligence Production Program.

D. Intelligence Planning, Coordination, Research and Production Activities:

1. Basic Intelligence: The Basic Intelligence program is currently being implemented by the coordination and development of intelligence on the USSR (Defense Project). The resulting intelligence is being prepared for publication and dissemination with a view to the National Intelligence Survey program. Further development of this program comprehends a consideration to merge the JANIS and SIP

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programs with the National Intelligence Survey program.

2. Current Intelligence: The format and substance of factual and interpretive items included in the Daily and Weekly Summaries have been and will continue to be modified and improved in accordance with requirements reflected by recipient offices.

3. CIG Staff Intelligence: A marked increase in the rate of production of CIG Staff Intelligence has been accomplished. While adherence to projected production programs is not always absolute, the only deviations are those caused by: (a) the absence of suitable basic and departmental intelligence on the area, (b) the necessity to meet unscheduled requirements for agencies such as SWNCC, or (c) changes in predicted foreign trends and developments. CIG Staff Intelligence has been planned to provide:

(1) World coverage on a country-by-country basis, interpreting the composite political, military and economic significance of each country vis-a-vis U. S. national security. These will be revised periodically and maintained on a current basis.

(2) Overall analysis of the world situation, interpreting long-range strategic intelligence implications of multi-national alignments from a political, economic and military viewpoint. These will be prepared semi-annually or more frequently as the situation warrants.

(3) Special estimates dealing with individual situations, or subjects resulting from the crystallization of trends and developments not previously deemed significant, or resulting from specialized functional treatment.

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II. Present Situation and Problems:

A. Reduction in force within IAB agencies will continue to have a deteriorating effect not only at the departmental level but also upon the national intelligence program. In the face of this situation, cooperation on the part of all agencies in the coordination of intelligence production is a vital necessity in order to insure adequate intelligence coverage in all fields.

B. The national intelligence program can meet national security requirements adequately and effectively only if basic and staff intelligence programs of the IAB agencies are vigorously implemented, thoroughly coordinated and adjusted to the national intelligence program.

III. Immediate Prospects:

A. ORE is seeking to establish with the Air Coordinating Committee a working relationship similar to that which it now has with SWNCC.

B. Favorable action by the IAB on the CIG proposal for coordination of intelligence production has resulted in agreement to a frame of reference within which detailed inter-agency working procedures can be implemented, and this action should facilitate inter-agency planning in this field.

C. The program for assessment of adequacy of intelligence information obtained from CIG sources is calculated to result in both qualitative and quantitative improvement of intelligence source material.

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