

STAFFING REQUIREMENTS: Records Management Unit, Support Information Management Center (8 Positions)

1. Senior Records Management Officer for Support Directorate

(DD/S-RMO)

- a. Chief of Support Directorate Records Unit responsible for development and administration of the DD/S Records Program in accordance with
- b. Develop plans, policies, and provide overall supervision in the implementation of the DD/S Records Program.
- c. Serve as the DD/S representative on the Agency Records Management Board.

2. Assistant DD/S Records Management Officer

- a. Serve as Deputy Chief, Support Directorate Records Branch, with primary responsibilities for:
  1. Training Program for DD/S records personnel;
  2. Development and publication of regulatory instructions and Support Notices on the records program;
  3. Staff studies for the Agency Records Management Board, and;
  4. Periodic evaluation of office records programs.

3. Microform Systems Analyst

- a. Specialist in microform systems design.
- b. Review and analyze Directorate hardcopy records systems for conversion to microform applications.

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c. Coordinate with other systems analysts in SIMC (e.g. a Design & Review Group) in identifying areas susceptible to automated information processing and data compaction (i.e. Computer output microform and micrographic information processing.).

d. In coordination with the Agency Microform Program officer and in conjunction with the using office, coordinate survey findings and develop microform system requirements.

e. In coordination with the Agency Microform Program Officer and outside consultants as necessary, convert system requirements into systems designs. Identify hardware and software specifications and prepare system for implementation.

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4. Microform Project Officer

a. The functions and duties of this officer take up where the microform systems design analysts' end. That is with the implementation of the microform system, by converting the manual, hard copy files to microform.

b. This officer will provide the following services to the office receiving the system:

1. Develop implementation plans to provide for minimum of disruption during the conversion to microform.
2. Identify resources to be utilized for the conversion (i.e. will filming be done on site and by whom? contract personnel? PSD personnel? other?)
3. Serve as project officer for the conversion insuring that systems specifications are met.
4. Evaluate and "de-bug" system after implementation.
5. Provide training on systems maintenance.

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5. Records Management Officer
- a. Specialist in Records Creation Control
  - b. Assist Component Records Officers with:
    - (1) Forms Analysis, design and control.
    - (2) Application of improved standards and procedures for handling and preparing correspondence.
    - (3) Development of Controls for Copy Machine selection.
    - (4) Development of controls of document printing.
  - c. Periodically analyze the status of Directorate Forms, Reports, and Copy Machines and report with action recommendations.

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6. Records Management Officer
- a. Specialist in manual record systems, procedures, and equipment.
  - b. Assist Component RMO's with:
    - (1) Selection and Procurement of Record Equipment and Supplies.
    - (2) Development of filing systems to meet needs.
  - c. Review requests for Secure Areas.
  - d. Promote use of space-saving file equipment.
  - e. Identify, Schedule, and Preserve Emergency Vital Records.
  - f. Conduct Record Surveys and evaluate Component records programs.

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7. Records Analyst
- a. Specialist in Records Disposition.
  - b. Assist Component RMO's in preparation and updating of Records Control Schedules.
  - c. Develop Directorate Records Retention Plan.
  - d. Establish "Offices of Record" and prepare procedures for preservation of permanent records.
  - e. Conduct annual inventory of records volume in offices and storage and provide analysis of conditions with proposals.
  - f. Serve as liaison for DD/S records problems related to the Agency Archives and History Program.
  - g. Assist with the DD/S contributions to the Presidential Libraries.

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8. Secretary
- a. Secretarial Support for Chief and Deputy.
  - b. File maintenance.

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9. Clerk-Typist
- a. Typing of Reports, Surveys, and Schedules.
  - b. Service Telephone Messages.
  - c. Maintain File and Mail Flow.

STAFFING REQUIREMENTS: Additional Position for Agency Records Staff

1. Microform Program Officer

This position is required for purposes of providing staff guidance, assistance, and coordination of microform system application on an Agency-wide basis. Incumbent's first priority would be to develop a handbook on microform standards and procedures drawing from experience gained in the Agency ~~or~~ <sup>as</sup> well ~~or~~ <sup>as</sup> other Federal Agencies and Departments (Air Force, State, Army) having large and active microform programs.

The incumbent would be knowledgeable of all microform applications currently in use throughout the Agency and be well informed on the everchanging technology in microform industry. He would develop and maintain list of vendor and consultant firms to be utilized in the event outside help is required for the design and implementation of the larger microform systems. He would establish liaison with Microform Program Offices in other Federal agencies and Departments, to study their systems and obtain the benefit of major federal programs in the microform field.

He would formulate plans for development of an in house capability to deal with Agency microform programs. He will work closely with Directorate microform personnel in identifying areas for system applications and assist in the design of new systems insuring a maximum amount of compatibility (and uniformity) among microform equipment and standards.

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ATTACHMENT A: Records Management Unit of the Support Information Management Center

Reference: Memo to DD/S from SSS dtd 26 May 1970.  
Subj: Management of Records and Information Processing Activities.

1. This attachment sets forth the rationale and provides detailed justification for the additional manpower resources required for the Records Management Unit of the Support Information Management Center (SIMC).

2. The overall problems concerning our records management and information processing programs have been presented in our Program Calls each of the past three years and have been presented orally in briefings by this staff to the DD/S and by the DD/S to the Executive Committee. Referent memorandum again summarizes and highlights major problem areas, describes the intricate relationship between records programs and information processing programs, and in general terms identifies the assets and organizational concepts needed to deal with these problems.

3. In our memo to the Executive Director requesting funds to increase storage capacity of our Records Center, we pointed out that we hoped to provide long-range solutions to our records storage problem by paying more attention to the basic program elements of corres-

pondence, reports, and forms management, improved manual and automated information processing systems, and the carefully managed installation of new microform applications. However significant reduction of records storage requirements through these programs will require: time to define the problems and develop responsive systems; funds for a new generation of microfilm equipment; a reversal of management's *low priority marginal* lack of concern for records problems; and most important of all a willingness to commit more manpower to the records problems in each agency component in spite of the current and apparent continuing overall reduction in Agency personnel.

4. In discussing manpower resources required to implement an effective "Agency-wide program" we should make reference to the basic policy issues reflected in the governing regulation.  is ambiguous, it seems to say that the Agency wants it both ways; decentralized records programs but "some" centralized control. Authority to establish, direct, and maintain records programs is delegated to Deputy Directors but the desire to maintain central control is not entirely relinquished. The Agency Records Administration Officer (Records Administration Branch of Support Services Staff, hereafter referred to as the Agency Records Staff, ARS) is responsible for review and approval of records control schedules, vital records schedules, new and revised forms, and requests for equipment and supplies, (including microform equipment) to the extent necessary to assure compliance with records administration program requirements. The Agency Records Staff furnishes staff guidance, assistance, and coordinates Agency programs,

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but there is no requirement that their services be used. This traditional "staff" versus "line" conflict will never be resolved by the stroke of a pen, however we should eventually revise  to provide the Agency Records Staff with responsibility and authority for a totally integrated Agency-wide records management program including all elements of creation, maintenance, and disposition.

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5. ~~Amended~~ The major revision of records management policy suggested above will meet strong resistance from the various Directorates and may never be accepted or published as Agency policy, nevertheless it should remain our goal. For now the DD/S can take positive steps forward by increasing the Agency's Records Staff's capability to service and act on the authority they have under current regulations. Clearly the Support Directorate should not seek additional authority and responsibility ~~unless~~ until we are prepared to assume it. For reasons detailed below the Agency Records Staff as it is now constituted in the Records Administration Branch of the Support Services Staff (with 6 professional records officers and 2 clericals) is incapable of adequately <sup>meeting the DDS Records Requirements and</sup> meeting its current Agency-wide responsibilities set forth in

6. The paucity of attention and manpower resources devoted to records management program elements at the Office ~~and Component level~~ <sup>and</sup> ~~as well as at the~~ Directorate level has impelled the Agency Records Staff to divert their energies and meager manpower resources to component ~~level~~ problems rather than to review "on-going" programs from an Agency-wide perspective; to assume leadership in identifying and dealing with

major record problem areas, and to develop new concepts for the management of the Agency records program. The daily "over the counter" activities of dealing with routine work in various components does contribute to the overall Agency program but leaves little time for the more important responsibilities of the Agency Records Staff in *developing* *policies and procedures* dealing with basic Agency-wide records programs. Of the 44 major offices and components in the Agency, only 11 ~~of these~~ have qualified full-time professional records management officers. Only the Plans Directorate has a full-time Directorate Records Management Staff (6 officers and 2 clericals) devoted to records management programs at the Directorate level. The Intelligence Directorate and Directorate for Science and Technology each have one full-time individual [ ] in DD/I and [ ] in DDS&T) dealing with their records program on a Directorate-wide level. The DD/S has only the part-time services of a [ ] (primary duties are in Records Administration Branch/SSS) to deal with Support Directorate problems.

7. As suggested in paragraph 5 above there are steps that the Support Directorate can and should take now to alleviate some of these problems. As the Directorate responsible for Agency-wide records programs, ~~(through RAB of SSS)~~ the DD/S must assert leadership in strengthening the records program of the Agency Records Staff as well as the Support Directorate. We are proposing only a modest increase in personnel assigned to the Agency Records Staff (two professionals qualified in automated systems design and microform systems design). This increase has been previously stated, justified, and approved (by the DD/S) in

our 1 through 75 program Call, however these positions fell victim<sup>7</sup> JUN 1970  
to the W-71 personnel reductions. Hence the requirement for these  
positions is not new but rather a request for restoration of previously  
planned increases, which would be accomplished by reprogramming within  
the Support Directorate.

8. The primary method we propose for increasing the capability  
of the Agency Records Staff to deal with the Agency-wide records manage-  
ment problems is not by adding personnel to the Agency Records Staff,  
but rather by relieving this unit of their present preoccupation with  
records management activities that should be done at the office and  
Directorate level. To do this we must first start in the DD/S by  
establishing and manning a Directorate Records Management Unit (in the  
Support Information Management Center) comparable to the Directorate  
Records Staff in the DD/P with its six officers and two clericals; secondly  
the DD/S must require the Offices within the Support Directorate to  
provide for at least ~~one~~ one (and in larger offices two) qualified full-time  
Records Management Officers. By any standard of measure the Records  
Management and Information Handling functions within the DD/S are at  
least as large and as complex as those in the DD/P. To cite but a few  
comparative statistics, consider the following:

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>DDS</u>	<u>DDP</u>
(a) Volume (cubic feet) of Records in Office Files	40,600	38,850
(b) Volume in Records Center	21,300	23,100
(c) Number of Forms	1,534	541
(d) Number of Microform Applications	17	16
(e) Total Personnel		
(f) Number of Major Offices, Staff or Operating Divisions		
(g) Number of Major Offices, Staff, or Operating Divisions with FULL TIME RMO's. <i>Records management officers</i>	23	9
(h) Number of RMO's Working Full Time on DIRECTORATE Staff Level	0*	6

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9. In making this comparison between the DD/P and the DD/S one should not conclude that the DD/P has ~~resolved~~ ~~their~~ their records problems as a result of their rather significant commitment of manpower to these programs. The DD/P does however have the most active, well organized and effectively staffed records program of ~~the~~ <sup>the</sup> four Directorates. They have made considerable progress in establishing Directorate policy in the management of Clandestine Services records, in publishing CSI's on records programs, in upgrading the role and training of ~~Directorate~~ <sup>Component</sup> Records Management Officers and other records personnel, and in focusing the attention of DD/P Senior management on records problems through the CS Records Committee (Chaired by the DD/P with Area Division Chiefs as members). There remains much more to be done in the DD/P and an important role for the Agency Records Staff to play in exercising its Agency wide functions in relation to the DD/P Records Program. What should be emphasized here is that until the DD/S has its own Directorate level records staff and full time Records Management Officers in the Support Offices at least on a par with the DD/P, the DD/S will not be able to solve its Directorate records problems, let alone exercise the DD/S responsibility for Agency-wide records programs and persuade the DD/I and DD/S&T to commit more manpower resources to the records programs of their Directorates.

10. As indicated in paragraph 8 above, in order to have a viable Records Program in the Support Directorate, the DD/S should require the Support Offices to devote more manpower to records programs at the Office level. Of the seven major DD/S Offices, Communications is the only office that is adequately staffed to manage its records programs (with 4

full-time Records Management Officers) and ~~part-time Records Officers~~. The Offices of Finance, Logistics, and Security are handling their Records problems with "part-time" attention and should each have at least two full-time officers devoted exclusively to OFFICE records programs. Personnel has one full-time Records Management Officer but should have two. The Offices of Medical Service and Training have part-time Records Management Officers and should each have one full-time Records Management Officer. Justification for these manpower needs is available in studies held in the Support Services Staff which detail specific records management program elements and implementation activities, indicating the duties and responsibilities to be accomplished at the component and office level.

11. Tab A to this attachment identifies the eight positions required for the Record Management Unit (Support Directorate Records Staff) of the Support Information Management Center and describes the functional responsibilities of each position. Tab A also describes the two positions requested for the Agency Records Staff. In the event additional justification is required we are prepared to present detailed data which breaks out the records management program into elements and sub-elements showing where these new manpower resources will be utilized. Upon approval of these positions we shall then develop plans for staffing the positions utilizing the most highly qualified individuals both from internal and external recruitment.