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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Technical Support Staff

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Deputy Director/Intelligence

SUBJECT

: External Research Project

1. In accord with discussions between Mr. Lundahl of this office and TSS/APD, on 11 March 1954, it is requested that your office establish an External Research Project consisting of Government and/or non-Government contracts designed effectively to meet a series of developmental requirements similar in nature to those briefly described in paragraph 2 below.

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- 2. The requirements under this project will consist of the preparation of optical - mechanical devices, nomographs and miscellaneous photo-metrical references which would collectively serve to increase ORR total capabilities and efficiency in the extraction of intelligence data from photographic information. Mr. Lundahl, Chief, Photo Intelligence Division (D/GP), ORR, will be responsible for preparing specific and detailed requirements, the results of which will be jointly monitored by TSS/APD and D/GP.
- 3. ORR currently has \$15,000 in Fiscal Year 1954 funds immediately available for transfer to TSS in support of this project. The project should be worded in such a manner to permit continued use of these funds in Fiscal Year 1955. While it is recognized that D/GP already maintains close contact with TSS/APD on numerous external research projects involving photography efforts of common concern, the funds available for this particular project are intended for use in developmental research on items of photographic equipment of common interest to both TSS and ORR, but of specific application to photographic intelligence problems for which ORR is primarily responsible.

FOR THE ASSISTANT DIRECTOR, RESEARCH AND REPORTS DOCUMENT NO. NO CHANGE IN CLASS. [7 50X1 L. DEOLAGSIFIED CLASS, CHANGED TO: TS S (C NEXT REVIEW DATE: AUTH: HR 70-2 DATE: 2011 180 REVIEWER: 037169 Chief, Administrative Staff CONCURRENCE: 50X1 DD/I The above proposal has been discussed with Budget Division. 50X1 in reference to the transfer of funds to TSS from the current ORR allotment. SEGNET 50X1 St/A/RR