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SUBJECT: Project [REDACTED]

1. PURPOSE

To provide a more efficient and secure employee entrance-control system for the new Agency headquarters building.

2. BACKGROUND

a. The present system of identification of personnel entering and leaving Agency buildings conforms generally with the security measures employed throughout government security agencies generally. It is based upon a visual badge-check of a photographic likeness of the individual to whom the badge has been issued. The badge-check is enforced by CSA building guards stationed at all entrances.

b. The concentration of employees in the new building will increase the density of rush-hour entrance traffic to the extent that it is considered necessary to improve the security and efficiency of the entrance control system.

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c. A recently completed feasibility study proposes to augment the system of visual badge-checks with a system of electronic "keys," to be incorporated in the badges of all employees. These "keys" are in the form of magnetic charges, designed to activate electronically operated barriers to permit free passage of employees holding properly coded badges. Through frequent changes in the magnetic codes by the Office of Security, badges would be automatically updated concurrent with normal passage of employees through the control device. Improperly coded badges would fail to operate the barrier and require a specific identification of the employee and re-coding of the magnetic charges in that badge through a separate aisle set up for that purpose.

d. In order to implement the proposed system of electronically operated barriers, it will be necessary to:

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3. PROPOSAL

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It is proposed that Project [redacted] be approved in the amount of \$315,000, to authorize the procurement of capital equipment described above, subject to the ability of the Deputy Director (Support) to provide savings from appropriation during FY 1959 and/or FY 1960, as appropriate.

4. ACTION

At the request of the Deputy Director (Support), this action is effected by lateral vote, without a formal meeting of the Project Review Committee.

5. RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Director of Central Intelligence approve subject project as proposed above.

CONCUR

/s/ Richard M. Bissell, Jr. 6 Apr 59
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/s/ Lyman Kirkpatrick 31 Mar 59
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/s/ Robert Amory, Jr. 1 Apr 59
Deputy Director (Intelligence)

/s/ C. P. Cabell 9 Apr 59
Deputy Director, Central Intelligence

/s/ H. Gates Lloyd 27 March 59
Acting Deputy Director (Support)

APPROVED

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Director of Central Intelligence

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