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Memorandum for: Inspector General

Through: Deputy Director (Support)

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Subject: Conversation with Admiral Connolly

General Cassidy called me this date and asked me to come to the offices of the Killian Committee to talk to Admiral Connolly and himself.

Admiral Connolly had just received a report from Mr. Good of the Department of Defense on the number of persons in government cleared for Special Intelligence. He was rather shocked by the total figure, which is well over [redacted]. His comments and criticisms were not directed at this Agency, but he wished to ask me various technical and organizational questions on Special Intelligence. He wished to know the role of USCIB and who had the security responsibility for Special Intelligence.

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I briefed him on the handling of Special Intelligence in this Agency and on current procedures designed to cut down the number of cleared persons. He also commented on the similarity in the memberships of IAC and USCIB. He made the inference that perhaps they should be combined. I pointed out that the membership was not exactly the same, but made no other comment on this policy matter.

The whole conversation seemed only exploratory, but the Admiral may mention the numbers of cleared persons in government to the DCI or DDCI.

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Director of Security

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