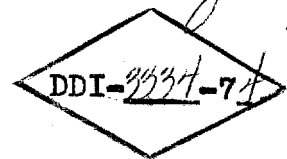




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Mr. Paul V. Walsh
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 Washington, D.C. 20505

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Dear Paul,

(C) Your 8 October 1974 letter regarding the study of the DIA biographic program points out correctly that the CIA/NSA arrangement is one alternative I am most interested in looking at. Whether we will choose a similar arrangement will depend upon the costs and the services that are provided. In any case, we will need to examine all rational alternatives. I would hope that your survey recommendations won't be limited to the CIA/NSA arrangement if other alternatives are considered feasible.

(C) It is true that military intelligence biographic billets have been reviewed during the past year in planning exercises concerning future manpower reductions. The elimination of all these billets, however, is not currently part of our planned strength adjustments in FY 75-80. As I see it, we will need some biographic people who at least are adept at tapping a joint system.

(U) I am looking forward to the results of our survey. Your analysis of the facts uncovered during the survey and the conclusions and alternatives that you draw from them should be very useful for our resource planning in the biographic field.

Sincerely,

DANIEL O. GRAHAM
 Lieutenant General, USA
 Director

NSA review completed

DIA Review Completed.

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Lt. General Daniel O. Graham
Director, Defense Intelligence Agency
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Dear Danny:

You will recall that last August Vince de Poix wrote a letter to Bill Colby asking for our participation in a study of the DIA biographic program. As I understood them, one of Vince's major objectives in having us participate in the study was to determine the feasibility of moving the military biographic responsibility to CIA along the lines of the arrangements we have with NSA.

Under the CIA/NSA arrangement, NSA provides manpower equal to the direct costs of the CRS service to NSA. Our agreement to participate in the DIA/CIA study of the military biographic responsibility assumed the same kind of arrangement.

Our participation in the study is quite expensive, involving currently the efforts of [] our most experienced biographic analysts. Their work is being done against a stream of reports that DIA plans to eliminate all of its biographic slots by July 1976. If these reports are true, then the large amount of effort we are putting into the study seems to be unnecessary.

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I realize that these reports may be garbled, but they seem persistent and widespread enough not to be dismissed out of hand. I think we could clear the air if you could confirm that one of the purposes of the study is to determine the manpower requirements needed to effect a CIA/DIA arrangement similar to the one we now have with NSA.

Sincerely,

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Paul V. Walsh
Acting Deputy Director
for Intelligence

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Letter to Director, DIA from Acting DDI re CIA Participation
in a Study of the DIA Biographic Program

Acting DDI/PVWalsh/□ (7 October 1974)

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