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IC 75-2560  
24 October 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR: General Wilson

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SUBJECT: Conversation with Col. Granger - NSC Staff

I called Col. Clint Granger (code 103-4496) today to see what the status was on the "National Nervous System" project. His response is enthusiastic and he has written a letter to you which is now being staffed through Mr. Ober. I arranged to have lunch with him next Friday to discuss matters of mutual interest on this subject.

Signed

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IC 75-2415  
25 June 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Conversations with Robert Kupperman (ACDA) and  
M. Eisenstein (ERDA)

1. Last week I was asked by Kupperman to come over to State and talk to him about the problem of terrorism (nuclear or conventional). In the course of the conversation I spoke of our efforts to have the national nervous system defined.

2. Yesterday I was visited by Eisenstein, who is Mr. Intelligence for ERDA. He had come to me at Kupperman's suggestion to hear more about the national nervous system. I told him of our efforts last fall and the current effort to enlist the NSC to sponsor the effort because of the possible misconstruction which might be put on any intelligence community effort to obtain the necessary information from domestic organizations.

3. Eisenstein is anxious to have the national nervous system defined because of its obvious utility to the terrorism problem.

4. If there is a favorable response to the letter General Wilson sent to General Scowcroft I am sure that Kupperman and Eisenstein would be interested and cooperative.

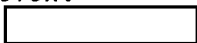


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General Wilson:

We have had no reply from the White House on the national nervous system letter that you delivered to Dick Ober.

This past week [redacted] was contacted by ERDA and he took the occasion to mention the national nervous system problem. He has prepared a note to you on this contact. (attached)

It may be that ERDA could be designated as a focal point to make contacts and collect information from "domestic" agencies. ERDA, while a member of USIB, also has a "domestic" character.

But at a minimum, I believe we should have a reply from Snowcroft authorizing the data collection effort, and specifying a channel (possibly ERDA).

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Intelligence Community Staff

DCI/IC 75-1525

Lieutenant General Brent Scowcroft, USAF  
Deputy Assistant to the President  
for National Security Affairs  
The White House  
Washington, D.C. 20500

Dear Brent:

In a letter to the President on 23 May 1975, Mr. Colby addressed his continuing efforts to improve intelligence community procedures to support the National Security Council in the light of the Mayaguez experience. In the attachment to that letter, reference was made to a better understanding of our own "national nervous system."

Our purpose in writing to you at this time is to enlist your help in obtaining the necessary information to create a national nervous system directory. Its use can improve lateral communications among the watch officer community and will materially assist us in disseminating foreign intelligence promptly to selected key officials in incipient crisis situations. This directory would identify major watch centers of U.S. government agencies (intelligence, military, diplomatic and domestic) both in the U.S. and overseas. It would briefly describe their functions and interconnections, and it would list phone numbers and message addresses.

The Intelligence Community Staff took a first step in this direction last fall by issuing a "Crisis Management Communication Card," which lists 29 of the 24-hour watch centers in the Washington area (copy attached). We would now like to expand this effort. However, we have refrained from collecting this kind of information about centers associated with domestic agencies and departments because we did not want to run the risk that such an undertaking might be cited (mistakenly) as an example of DCI intrusion in domestic affairs.

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To avoid such a misunderstanding, we believe that collecting the directory information should be approved in advance and sponsored at your level. The Intelligence Community Staff can provide guidance on the kinds of information needed and the formats for collection and updating the information, and it can assemble and produce the end product. Displays would be placed in watch centers so that their staffs will be reminded continually of the nature and extent of the national nervous system.

To get such an effort underway, we need your approval and your designation of some instrumentality to work with us and to serve as the intermediary and mechanism for collecting this information, particularly from domestic agencies and departments. Your guidance is requested.

Sincerely,

/s/ Samuel V. Wilson

Samuel V. Wilson  
Lieutenant General, USA  
Deputy to the DCI for the  
Intelligence Community

Enclosure

Crisis Management Communication Card

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 STAFF MEETING THAT ~~THE~~ REPORT  
 SHOULD HAVE A STATUS REPORT  
 FOR GEN WILSON ON HIS RETURN -  
 HE MAY HAVE TO JUDGE AGENTS -  
 GET A RESPONSE

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**Summary**

General Wilson:

and I have jointly drafted this letter from you to  
 General Scowcroft. Recommend signature.