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21 September 1962

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Contracts Division, OSA
Chief, Security Branch, OSA

SUBJECT : Upgrading of System IX and Development of
Other Defensive Equipments by [REDACTED] 25X1A
[REDACTED] 25X1A

REFERENCES : A. IDEA 0819 dated 13 Sept. 1962
B. [REDACTED] 0003 (IN 42570) dated 13 July 62 25X1A
C. [REDACTED] 3922 (IN 44648) dated 3 Aug. 62 25X1A
D. Letter from [REDACTED] Contracts Adminis- 25X1A
trator, Mr. [REDACTED] to Project
Contracting Officer dated 2 March 62;
Subject: Termination of Contracts.
E. [REDACTED] 6667 (OUT 28702) dated 15 Sept. 1962 25X1A

1. This memorandum is concerned with the procurement of improved System IX equipments and the development of special defensive equipments. It is also concerned with funding and contractual requirements.

2. In compliance with paragraph 5 of Reference A, the Communications Staff, OSA, is assuming responsibility for ascertaining questionable capabilities of the present System IX, and taking the required action to update the system.

3. In response to Reference B, a query from the [REDACTED] for upgraded equipments for [REDACTED] aircraft, preliminary cost and availability investigations were made as outlined in Reference C. The possibility, and desirability, of an [REDACTED] coordinated procurement and test program is suggested. This possibility will be followed through.

4. As outlined in Reference A, a decision has been made to upgrade the Agency System IX equipments. The original manufacturer, [REDACTED] of [REDACTED], has requested cancellation of contracts involving further work connected with the equipment, as contained in Reference D. The engineering personnel formerly associated with the design and development of the equipment are now employed by [REDACTED], also of [REDACTED].

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3. Inasmuch as [redacted] is now under contract to the Agency for similar types of equipment for the [redacted] program, they become a logical choice to contract for the upgrading, as well as pick up the contracts cancelled by [redacted]. At present the two contracts involved cover spares and repairs. CI-511 was established in an amount of [redacted] for spares. The cancellation claim in Reference D of [redacted] reduces the fund to [redacted]. TX-512 was established in an amount of [redacted] and has not been used.

6. Accordingly, it is requested the following actions be initiated:

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A. Debrief, as required, elements of [redacted] concerned with contracts CI-511 and TX-512.

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B. Establish contractual arrangements with [redacted] to pick up the contracts cancelled by [redacted].

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C. Make the necessary arrangements to transfer residual technical components and records as applicable and appropriate to [redacted].

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D. Establish the necessary groundwork with [redacted] in preparation for a contract to construct six System IX equipments.

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E. Establish the necessary contract with [redacted] to construct two instantaneous DF systems with special recognition circuitry.

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7. At the OSA-DD/R staff meeting on Wednesday, 19 September 1962, it was agreed that funds in the amount of [redacted] would be transferred to and controlled by the Chief, OSA-DD/R. It was also agreed that the funds required for upgrading System IX, now estimated to be approximately [redacted] would be drawn from that fund. It has since been agreed that funds required for constructing the two [redacted] identifiers would also be drawn from this fund. ATI estimates a cost of [redacted] for the two units.

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8. [redacted] is in the process of preparing proposals covering both 6D and 6E above. Reference B is concerned with preliminary plans involving the contractor.

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9. It is requested that matters requiring technical coordination be referred to [REDACTED] OSA/Commo, Extension 9278.

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