

DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE
Security Committee

SECOM-D-331

27 August 1980

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chairman, SECOM

FROM: [REDACTED]
Executive Secretary

SUBJECT: APEX

1. You have a copy of [REDACTED] memorandum to the DCI alerting him to the staggering (830 people, \$100 million) needs of the DoD to implement APEX. [REDACTED] points out a few options for the DCI to follow.

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2. Implicit in most of the options is an acceptance that some of the security dictates which APEX proposes (document control) will have to be suspended if not surrendered. This is a security issue pure and simple that you should address.

3. If the DoD is "forgiven" its requirements for document control, I see others seeking the same benediction.

4. I propose you send a short note to [REDACTED] along the line of the attached, telling him that as Chairman, SECOM you cannot endorse such actions.

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Special Assistant to the DCI for
Compartmentation

25X1A FROM: [REDACTED]
Chairman

SUBJECT: Director, DIA's Memorandum on APEX Resource
Needs

REFERENCE: Your 25 August 1980 Memo to the DCI, Same
Subject

1. I have read your and [REDACTED] memoranda to the Director. I share the concerns about adequate security vis-a-vis resource needs.

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2. Noting that DoD gives more security attention to SECRET level material than to SCI, I am concerned with the thread of toleration toward DoD's problems which I perceive in your memorandum lest it imply a willingness to accept DIA's current poor security practices.

3. I have no panaceas to offer. But I do offer my full support to any action which will preclude further weakening in DoD's document security practices or prevent adoption of comparably loose practices by other agencies which have so far provided necessary security resources to comply with Executive Orders and extant SCI requirements.

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