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INSTRUCTIONS REGARDING INTERVIEWS IN SUPPORT OF
CS HISTORICAL PAPERS

Normally it is anticipated that an individual responsible for preparing a historical paper will acquire the necessary information largely from existing documentation, both active and retired, from interviews (debriefings) of personnel presently on duty, and from the writer's own experience and responsibilities which relate to the paper at hand.

The history of the Clandestine Services presently in the process of development reaches back to October 1945. This fact alone indicates that there will be gaps in information sometimes so great that the sources mentioned above will be found inadequate. In such instances, the writer may find himself compelled to interrogate or debrief at some length one or more individuals who may have already retired from the Agency. Contacts with such persons will only be made when absolutely necessary.

Prior to approaching a person who has retired from the Agency the following steps will be taken:

a. The name of the individual and his address, if known, will be submitted by memorandum to the security officer of the component having jurisdiction for the paper being prepared, or to the chief of support, who will forward it to the DD/SEC/PS for examination as to the propriety of approaching the individual, and for approval to contact him for debriefing purposes.

b. If it is found necessary to establish bona fides, and after receiving clearance for making the contact from the Office of Security, the name and address of the individual to be approached will be submitted to the [REDACTED] 25X1A
[REDACTED]. This office (Room 902, Key Building, extension 2265, [REDACTED]) 25X1A
[REDACTED] will arrange for an appropriate introduction.

Where necessary, the Historical Officer of the component will assist the writer with these arrangements, working closely with the component's security officer.

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