

29 July 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR: 

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SUBJECT: Arab-Israeli Post Mortem, Phase II

1. After considerable agonizing over the problem and discussions with you, Pete and Bill, I recommend we produce a single document which would address the performance of the production community only (contrary to my initial view that we should also review collection). I would incorporate the SIGINT, PHOTINT and HUMINT contributions into the main document or possibly attach them as annexes.

2. Tab A is a redraft of Pete's original "Production" paper. The major change is the elimination of his first four pages (see Tab B) which discuss crises in general, make a number of broad criticisms of the community's performance during crises, and suggest several remedies. As you will note from my marginal comments, I have serious reservations about most of the judgments he makes. He would prefer to stick with his original draft.

3. Before proceeding, I would appreciate your views on whether Tab A is on the right track. If consolidated into one paper, the current SIGINT and PHOTINT drafts could be substantially shortened. The discussion of the NIO role and requirements would constitute a single, separate section. The conclusions and recommendations sections would be expanded to accommodate the points made in the SIGINT, PHOTINT and HUMINT sections.

4. Suggest we have a session with Pete and Bill to decide how we will proceed.


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Attachments

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