

THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

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Office of the Director

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Members of the NSCIC Working Group

SUBJECT : Revised Terms of Reference

1. Attached is a draft revision of the terms of reference which the Working Group drafted for itself last June. Changes are proposed as follows:

a. Paragraph 3: Membership

Sub-paragraph a has been changed to indicate who will appoint representatives rather than have the terms of reference specifically name five chiefs of intelligence production offices by title.

The new sub-paragraph b provides for flexibility in the composition of the group.

b. Paragraph 5: Functions

Old sub-paragraphs c and d have been combined to eliminate the wording that the Working Group would "initiate for NSCIC approval proposals for studies, reviews," etc., since it is considered the Working Group should be able to initiate its own studies. Sub-paragraph b already provides the Working Group will conduct such studies as the NSCIC directs.

A new sub-paragraph d has been added to provide greater flexibility to the Working Group in actions it takes regarding studies accomplished under its auspices which are not considered to require formal NSCIC action.

c. Paragraph 6: Methods of Operation

Sub-paragraph c has been amended to eliminate the reference to consensus "among the representatives of the NSCIC principals" and to provide for a system of registering dissents.

d. Paragraph 7: Staff Support

This paragraph has been amended to eliminate specific reference to the Chief of the Product Review Group of the IC Staff.

2. Your approval is requested.