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The Director of Central Intelligence

Washington, D.C. 20505

Intelligence Community Staff

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director of Central Intelligence

VIA: Acting Director, Intelligence Community Staff *ESP* 12 SEP 1983

FROM: [redacted] Chairman, DCID 1/2 Committee

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SUBJECT: DCID 1/2 Committee Monthly Activity Report August 1983

Annual Review of DCID 1/2 Priorities

1. At a DCID 1/2 Committee meeting on 5 August, the members approved proposals for [redacted] priority decreases that had been developed by the Committee in the course of discussions during the July annual review sessions. These [redacted] were added to the [redacted] priority number decreases proposed by the Community and approved by the Committee in July. Guided by your initial review of this total package, I passed to you for final approval on 29 August a list of [redacted] proposed priority decreases--the end product of this year's annual review process. A change notice listing these priority number decreases will be sent to all holders of U.S. Foreign Intelligence Requirements Categories and Priorities in the near future. [redacted]

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2. The [redacted] decreases amount to [redacted] priority assignments that currently comprise the DCID 1/2 matrix. They more than balance the [redacted] new or higher priorities approved since issuance of the latest edition of the DCID 1/2 priorities document on 1 October 1982--and, in fact, return the percentage distribution of assignments at each priority level to almost precisely what it was on 1 October 1982. [redacted]

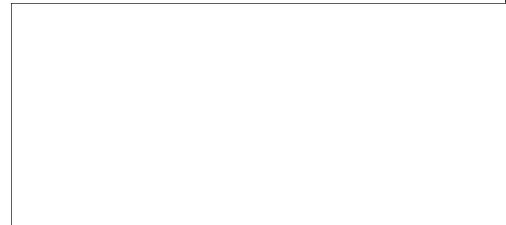
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National Intelligence Topics of Current Interest

3. The DCID 1/2 Committee will meet in the near future to consider changes of priority assignments and topic definition which might be indicated by the newly-agreed National Intelligence Topics of Current Interest. While the NITs are stated much more explicitly and focused in a narrower time frame than DCID 1/2 topical priorities, both reflect the priority intelligence support needs of U.S. Government policymakers and other principal intelligence consumers. Consequently, to serve as effective guidance in Community planning and operations, they need to be in at least general congruence. [REDACTED]

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COINS Support for DCID 1/2

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Status of Priority Change Actions5. In Committee Review

- A proposal, prompted by National Intelligence Council interest, to establish a DCID 1/2 topic and priorities on the subject of international communications issues. During the past year, policymaking interest in international broadcasting and telecommunications issues has been substantially upgraded with the creation of high-level inter-agency committees chaired by the National Security Council Senior Staff and the Department of State. Although intelligence support is provided to both these committees by the Community, there is no DCID 1/2 topic that really focuses on the subject. [REDACTED]
- A proposal by the Chairman to separate topic 3.1.1 "Hostile actions against U.S. forces" into two topics, one dealing with indications of an attack against the U.S. or U.S. forces abroad and the second covering hostile actions against U.S. reconnaissance activities. Both subjects are now covered by topic 3.1.1 and the intended application of assigned country priorities is not always clear. DIA is preparing revised definitions and priority proposals for Committee consideration. [REDACTED]

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