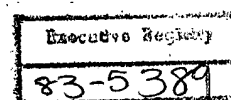


The Director of Central Intelligence

Washington, D. C. 20505

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Chairman, Science and Technology Advisory Panel

SUBJECT: STAP Review of "Small Systems" Research and  
Development Programs

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1. While Research and Development (R&D) activity related to large national collection systems and the exploitation of the resultant information receives considerable management attention, technical collection R&D outside this domain lacks an equivalent central planning and management focus. I want to determine how these R&D efforts can be made more efficient, cost effective, and responsive to Intelligence Community requirements.

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2. The STAP should establish a working group to review the procedures by which R&D requirements are generated and the processes by which "small systems" are developed to fulfill these requirements. The review should initially be confined to those R&D efforts underway or planned in OTS, ORD and OSO.

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3. The STAP effort should be assisted by a knowledgeable representative from CIA. After consultation with appropriate Deputy Directors and line managers, please nominate a point of contact who you feel can assist you.

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4. The STAP findings and recommendations should be presented to the DCI in a written report within one year. Depending upon the course of the examination, one or more interim reports may be submitted, as you deem appropriate.

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/s/ William J. Casey

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence [redacted] 25X1  
VIA: Director, Intelligence Community Staff [redacted]  
Deputy Director of Central Intelligence  
FROM: [redacted] 25X1  
Executive Secretary, Science and Technology Advisory Panel  
SUBJECT: STAP Review of "Small Systems" Research and Development Programs [redacted] 25X1

1. Action Requested: Formal tasking of the STAP to review certain R&D programs in the Intelligence Community. [redacted] 25X1

2. Background: During the 22-23 June 1983 plenary session, the Panel discussed with the DCI the need for better Community coordination and cooperation in the development of small, unique intelligence collection devices. There is evidence that one agency is sometimes unaware that its requirement for a collection system or device can be met by state-of-the-art technology under development in another agency. This situation usually arises when the issue and requirement involve small, relatively low cost, collection systems. [redacted] 25X1

Rather than focusing on specific operations or collection devices, the Panel will review the procedures by which R&D requirements are generated and the processes by which systems are developed to fulfill these requirements. The review will also attempt to identify means and establish channels for the exchange of technical information within and among the various agencies in the Intelligence Community. [redacted] 25X1

During the June STAP meeting the Director concurred in the proposed STAP review and in the choice of [redacted] as the Chairman of the "small systems" R&D working group. The DDCI also indicated his concurrence in this STAP effort during a luncheon meeting with [redacted] 25X1  
Chairman, STAP, on 20 October 1983. [redacted] 25X1

3. Recommendation: That you sign the attached tasking memorandum. [redacted] 25X1

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Attachment:  
Proposed Memo for DCI Signature

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2. The STAP should establish a working group to review the procedures by which R&D requirements are generated and the processes by which "small systems" are developed to fulfill these requirements. The review should also identify important Community-wide needs and recommend ways of meeting them. This review should include the relevant R&D programs of CIA, DoD and DoE. (U)

3. The STAP effort should be assisted by a knowledgeable representative from the Intelligence Community. After consultation with appropriate Deputy Directors and Community line managers, please nominate a point of contact who you feel can assist you. (U)

4. The STAP findings and recommendations should be presented to the DCI in a written report within one year. Depending upon the course of the examination, one or more interim reports may be submitted, as you deem appropriate. (U)

William J. Casey

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