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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

: Director, National Foreign Assessment Center THROUGH

Assistant to the DCI for Public Affairs

Associate Coordinator for Academic Relations FROM

and External Analytical Support

: Publicity about Academic Relations SUBJECT

- 1. Action requested: Your approval for Public Affairs to invite the <u>Chronicle of Higher Education</u> to do a feature story on the Agency and its academic relationships and for the Coordinator for Academic Relations, the Associate Coordinator, and other appropriate officers to brief a Chronicle reporter. That you agree to meet with a Chronicle reporter as part of this effort.
- Background: The Chronicle of Higher Education is a prestigious weekly paper that reaches more than 50,000 subscribers in the US academic community. During the last year or so it has carried stories with CIA content: the Michael Selzer affair at Brooklyn College, the Harvard guidelines, MK-ULTRA, etc. These stories were factually and objectively done, though all lacked depth and perspective on the Agency and on the real dimensions and objectives of our academic relations program.
- An article would be consistent with the objectives of our expanded academic relations program and could give it added impetus and focus. We would want the story to concentrate on the two major dimensions of the Agency's academic relationships: 1) our open recruiting on campus; and 2) the scholarly milieu, purposes, and friends of the National Foreign Assessment Center. Appropriate senior officers should be available to discuss these matters with Chronicle reporters. A meeting with a top spokesman--preferably the DCI--also would be desirable.

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