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Dear Hal:

I am happy to see by your 29 April memorandum that we have reached basic agreement on the structure for CIRIS-71. I realize we still have to work out some of the technical details but I am sure this can be accomplished.

I am designating [] to be available to your office on a temporary basis to aid in the CIRIS construction. Mr.

[] alternate.

With warm regards,

NOEL GAYLER
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Director

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MEMORANDUM FOR VICE ADMIRAL NOEL A. GAYLER

SUBJECT: NSA CIRIS Proposal

References: (a) Ltr frm Adm Gayler to Mr. Froehlke, 1 Apr 70
(b) Memo for DASD(I) frm Mr. Neff, subj: Reporting
Entities, 2 Apr 70 (712411)

First, I want to thank you for your CIRIS proposal and the work done by your CIRIS Task Force. [] my Director of CIRIS activities, has been reviewing and discussing the draft proposal with your Task Force members and [] Chairman of the Interagency CIRIS Committee, since the latter part of February.

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The substance of the review of the NSA proposal can be found in the attachment. I have discussed the review with [] and generally agree with the proposals for CIRIS-71.

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As a next step, I have asked [] to convene the Defense CIRIS Working Group in order to review the DASD(I) Planning for CIRIS-71. At that time your representative can respond to any of the items in the attachment that NSA may feel requires further discussion. What is important now is that we in DASD(I) resolve the problems of the larger Defense CIRIS request for CY 1971.

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Should there be any unresolved issues on the part of NSA at the conclusion of the CIRIS Working Group meetings, I have directed [] to bring them to my attention so that you and I can discuss them before I make a final decision.

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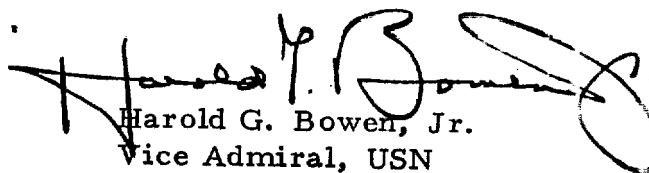
Your offer to make available to my office on a temporary basis a member of the NSA Task Force is most generous. As you have recognized, CIRIS development represents a considerable

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task. I gladly accept your offer. It may be that you would also like to have the designee as your member on the Defense CIRIS Working Group. I trust that he will also be able to help us in obtaining and organizing the NSA data for CIRIS-70.



Harold G. Bowen, Jr.
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