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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DEPUTY SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

SUBJECT: GRILL FLAME - ACTION MEMORANDUM (U)

(S/NOFORN) In FY 1981, a Memorandum of Understanding (enclosure 1) established a jointly funded Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) and U.S. Army three-year contractual effort known as GRILL FLAME. This effort has been investigating for the last year certain parapsychological phenomena, such as remote viewing (the ability of individuals to mentally collect data at a distance), that have potential military applications. Emphasis in FY 1981 was on evaluating potential applications and limitations of such phenomena, and to evaluate the significance of foreign work, particularly as it may pose a threat to the United States.

(S/NOFORN) The U.S. Army has proposed that the FY 1982 joint contract with SRI International include the training of selected Army personnel who have had no prior experience in remote viewing. It has been determined by DoD General Counsel that this activity requires permission under Procedure 18 of DoD Directive 5240. 1-R. Accordingly, the Secretary of the Army has approved Army participation in the program. A copy of the approval is enclosure 2.

(S/NOFORN) In compliance with this determination, all contracts entered into and under the auspices of the DIA/Army GRILL FLAME program will contain the written requirement that the provisions of Procedure 18, DoD Directive 5240. 1-R will be followed. The contract monitor will ensure that the contracted party executes its Procedure 18 responsibilities. Informed consent of all subjects will be obtained in writing and only in accordance with the guidelines issued by the Department of Health and Human Services. These guidelines set conditions safeguarding the welfare of the subjects.

(S/NOFORN) The Defense Intelligence Agency, as joint participant and contracting agent of the GRILL FLAME program, requests permission to proceed with those portions of the joint DIA/Army GRILL FLAME program determined to constitute human experimentation pursuant to Procedure 18 of DoD Directive 5240. 1-R.

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Rear Admiral, USN  
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GRILL FLAME

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

This joint three year GRILL FLAME effort is intended to implement a comprehensive effort designated from the outset to determine the operational parameters and usefulness of certain elements of psychoenergetics and assess the threat these phenomena pose to the National security. The DoD GRILL FLAME effort will include, but not be limited to, external assistance contracts. It is recognized that each participant reserves the right to discontinue participation in this program at the end of each fiscal year. Each participant reserves the right to enter into GRILL FLAME contracts with parties independent of the terms for the approval of joint contracts by the GRILL FLAME Committee. The GRILL FLAME Committee will seek throughout the first year, and continually during follow on years, to examine capabilities in remote viewing (RV) and psychokinetics (PK) developed by potential contractors and unanimously agree to contract with the contractors who can best meet the requirements of the DoD at the least possible cost.

a. The DIA will:

- (1) Issue joint contracts to accomplish the required external support.
- (2) Chair the GRILL FLAME Committee and provide, in coordination with committee members, regular progress reports to appropriate high level decisionmakers.
- (3) Provide the primary contract monitor to be located where he/she can best monitor all joint contracts.

b. The participants (DIA and Army) will:

- (1) Contribute to the development of contracts goals, unanimously agree

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to the contract goals, and outline specific requirements, tasks, and priorities to be accomplished by the joint contracts.

(2) MIPR funds to DIA for the first year of the joint contracts.

(3) Host the quarterly GRILL FLAME Committee meetings on a rotating basis. The first quarter meeting by Army.

(4) Provide ORV monitors and viewer to support the programs when appropriate.

(5) Total Program dollar efforts for FY 81 are as follows:

(a) Army/INSCOM: \$150K

(b) DIA: \$300K

c. The GRILL FLAME Committee will:

(1) Be composed of members from DIA and Army and will consist of two voting members from each organization.

(2) Review the DIA and Army requirements for psychoenergetics and incorporate them into the contract work statements, thereby ensuring that the program will meet the requirements of each contributor.

(3) Prepare all final GRILL FLAME joint contracts and determine priorities.

(4) Provide continual review of all GRILL FLAME joint contractual matters, to include, when appropriate, review by cleared parties both within and outside the DoD.

(5) During the quarterly meetings, review and critique past work and revise, as needed, the next quarter's work.

(6) Will determine the allocation of MIPR'd funds amongst specific contractual tasks.

(7) Provide scientific and technical expertise needed to guide the contractual investigations.

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(8) Serves as an advisory group to DIA on collection priorities for application of ORV techniques to real targets.

(9) Will be kept fully advised of participant independent GRILL FLAME activities.

d. The primary contract monitor will:

(1) Be cognizant of all GRILL FLAME joint contracts.

(2) Serve as an interface between the Committee and all contractors.

(3) Ensure that all raw data produced by the contractors is shared by all the participants.

(4) In coordination and concurrence with the Committee, relay guidance to the contractors.

(5) Report contract results to the GRILL FLAME Committee.

(6) Ensure research goals are met.

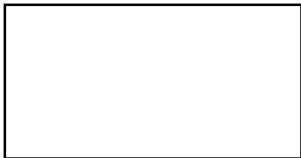
(7) Be responsive to all inquiries by participants as to the activities and progress being made by the contractors.

(8) Be responsive to all inquiries by other DoD or governmental agencies on the status of the contract research in keeping with established security guidelines and approval of the Committee.

DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

By ER Thompson

Date 25 Mar 81



By \_\_\_\_\_

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WASHINGTON, D.C. 20310

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MEMORANDUM THRU ~~VICE CHIEF OF STAFF, ARMY~~  
ARMY GENERAL COUNSEL



FOR SECRETARY OF THE ARMY *jm*

SUBJECT: GRILL FLAME (U)--DECISION MEMORANDUM

1. (S) The US Army Intelligence and Security Command (INSCOM) proposes to further refine its GRILL FLAME efforts by purchasing jointly with the Defense Intelligence Agency the professional services of selected contracted civilian organizations and individuals. The Army General Counsel determined that this proposed activity will constitute experimentation on human subjects under Procedure 18, DOD Directive 5240.1-R. Section 4 of Procedure 18 requires approval of the Under Secretary or Secretary of the Army in order for Army to engage in GRILL FLAME activities with civilian contractors.
2. (S/NOFORN) All contracts entered into by INSCOM will contain the written requirement that the provisions of Procedure 18, DOD Directive 5240.1-R will be followed. The contract monitor will ensure that the contracted party executes its Procedure 18 responsibilities. Informed consent of all subjects will be obtained in writing and only in accordance with the guidelines issued by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare. These guidelines set conditions safeguarding the welfare of the subjects.
3. (S) Request the Secretary of the Army approve our joint participation in GRILL FLAME activities with DIA and contracted civilian parties under the provisions of Procedure 18, DOD Regulation 5240.1-R.

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ACofS for Intelligence

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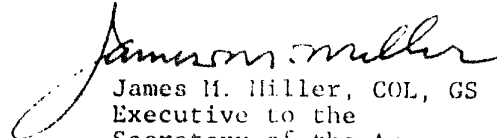
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(S) In approving this case, the Secretary of the Army emphasized the requirement that the proposed activity be carried out to fulfill "an important foreign intelligence or counterintelligence purpose." He directs that the ACSI monitor the joint research program to assure that such purpose is served.

  
James H. Miller, COL, GS  
Executive to the  
Secretary of the Army

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