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Director of Logistics MEMORANDUM FOR:

SUBJECT

Transfer of Funds to the Office of Naval Research

for Project OXYGAS/A (Dolphins)

REFERENCE

ORD Requisition 851-65 dated 27 December 1964

Navy Contract NONR 4568(00) b.

- The Office of Research and Development requests that funds in the amount of \$81,000 be transferred to the Office of Naval Research in order that new training facility construction may be effected by Navy on Project OXYGAS/A (reference a & b).
- 2. The new dolphin training facilities are to be constructed on the U.S. Naval Base at Key West, Florida. The attached maps and drawings provide specific details relating to the proposed construction. The Office of Naval Research should be instructed during the course of funds transfer that CIA does not wish to proceed with the construction of building B called for in the attached drawings.
- 3. The requirement for the proposed construction of a new dolphin training facility at Mey West has been influenced by the following factors:
 - a. The dolphin training program has progressed to a point where simulated operational missions are now necessary. The security arrangements at the existing site at Grassy Key, Fla. are inadequate for this type of endeavor.

b. The existing facility at Grassy Key is inadequate from an animal housing standpoint to accommodate the next phase of work.

4. Of the \$81,000 to be used for construction purposes, \$66,000 is earmarked for basic construction, e.g., animal pens, fencing, piers, etc. \$15,000 is for an animal maintenance and storage building including refrigeration for food supplies for the dolphins. It will be noted in the attached proposal from that the contractor originally requested \$75,000 for the construction Subsequent discussions with the contractor have resulted in agreements to have certain additional construction work done at this time which, if delayed further, would result in excessive construction costs. The proposed subcontractor for the basic construction

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work (\$66,000) is
This concern was selected not only because it submitted the lowest construction bid but also because of the high recommendations provided by U.S. Navy officials at Key West, Fla.

- 5. Detailed coordination meetings on all phases of the planned construction have been held with the Office of Naval Research and Admiral Christopher, Commander of the Key West Naval District. Complete concurrence on these plans has been received from all Navy officials involved.
- 6. Dr. John Adkins, Assistant Chief Scientist, Office of Naval Research, is the cognizant official on this project. There are no recommended changes in the previous security reporting, or sterility code arrangements.

 is the project officer on this contract and will monitor its execution.

ROBERT M. CHAPMAN Director of Research and Development

Attachments

- 1. Letter proposal plus facility sketches, price quotation and map of Key West, Fla.
- 2. Requisition ORD 851-66

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