MEMORANDUM

28 Jan

For your info—note that [redacted] is going to draft and make for the AFSPRF effort with ODEE.
MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Relocation of the AFSPPF R&D Effort

On 22 January 1975 I met with (ODGE/DEG) and (ODGE/ITD) to review the R&D move from AFSPPF to ODGE. The initial work and agreement has been accomplished in a message from Mr. Plummer to Maj Gen Bradburn and Mr. Les Dirks (Atch 1). Also an initial meeting was convened with the NRO/ODGE/AFSPPF in Nov (Atch 2). Later in November the resulted in the agreeing to support our effort by providing processing and QA/QC functions (Atch 3).

The basis for this meeting was to discuss the every day operation and in particular the direction from the CCB, the handling of funds and the transfer of people. The ITD division (Heurtley) falls under DEG (Malinowski) and Mr. Malinowski was not up to speed on the agreements and happenings which had transpired since October 1974.

I reiterated that basic direction is provided by the CCB, but that day-to-day operation is the responsibility of ITD. Also that funding would be provided by project and not given to CIA as a lump sum. Also that in our type of R&D and the relationship we have versus other contractors and the speed with which we must solve problems does not lend itself to the normal RFP relationship. Of course security is also a large concern.

Mr. Malinowski was very receptive and was satisfied with all our prior planning and work. I agreed to draft the basic letter of agreement/understanding for staffing which will be signed by Maj Gen Bradburn, Mr. Dirks (Duckett) and Col Wheeler/Mr. Plummer.

WESLEY D. OWENS
Lt Colonel, USAF

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1. FSR, 14 Nov
2. Memo for Col
3. Memo for Col
29 Nov 74
As you are aware, we have placed the production function of SPFP at WANA and the evaluation function at WPIC. The disposition of the photo processing function has been reviewed by each of your organizations, by my staff, and by the CCB board members.

As a result of the above, the following decisions regarding the photo processing function have been made:

A. The effort will be transferred to Washington,

D.C. or Los Angeles (SAPF) at the discretion of the CCB. COE will provide office space in the WPIC building within COE/ITD for the WASHINGTON, D.C. office. Approximately 2500 square feet of space will be provided for COE/ITD research work space. Sapf will utilize existing office space.

B. Four or five air force officer spaces will be provided and will be supplemented by COE personnel as required.

C. The AF people will work in one branch of COE/ITD, presently identified as the photo processing branch (except as noted in F. below), and the Chief of this branch will be a member of the air force.

D. The Chief AF member will complete the officer effectiveness reports (CERS) on the other AF members, who will complete the Chief AF member's CER based in part on a letter of evaluation provided by the Chief of COE/ITD.

E. The C30 will fill vacancies with COE concurrence and will have unrestricted access to the Chief AF member.
F. An Air Force officer will be assigned to the
Free Radical Film Program office for purposes of contin-
uity for all NRP programs and will actively participate
in this program.
G. CIA and/or AF contracting channels will be used
as appropriate.
H. Finally, the photo RED branch effort will take
its direction from the CCB and be funded by T
I believe these basic ground rules are necessary as
a common ground of understanding and that the interests
of the NRO will be best served under the above concepts.
The CCB will coordinate this move in conjunction with
the SPPF phase out. For the first time, both NRO photo
and exploitation RED will be housed under one roof. I
am looking forward to a very constructive relationship.
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SUBJECT: AFSPPF Photo R&D

An informal meeting was convened 13 Nov 74 at OD&E/ITD in the
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In attendance were:

Col Clark Davison, Cmdr, AFSPPF
Lt Col L. C. Butt, Dir, R&D AFSPPF
Lt Col W. D. Owens, SAF/SS

This initial meeting was basically a brainstorming session
to air potential and real problems which will require attention
during the next several months prior to establishment of the
final management/operations plan. Among the various items
discussed were:

- Office space at OD&E/ITD
- Research space at
- Working relationships
- Specialized equipment required to be transshipped from
AFSPPF
- Time frame for movement
- Personnel chain of command

At this initial get-together it was concluded that no major
obstacles are evident. Prior to detail planning, SAF/SS will
meet with Charlie Roth, OD&E, to resolve
relationships and to determine the actual research work space along with
power/planning. In addition, a meeting will be convened with
Mr. Les Dirks and Mr. Don Haas, OD&E, to resolve management
and contractual areas. Upon completion of these two meetings
Lt Col Butt will prepare a movement plan along with a time
table for major milestones. Later a memo of understanding will
be formulated between OD&E and the NRO.

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concerned with the message.

NATIONAL CRYPTOLOGIC SCHOOL COURSE

Mr. Veiel attended the Senior Level National Cryptologic School course (3 days) to determine if it is worthwhile for NRO Staff members. The course provides an overview of the SIGINT Community and would be valuable for all Staff members. We will take steps to get quotas for attendance at future sessions. The course is given three times a year.

AFSPPF R&D RELOCATION

On 21 Nov 1974, L/C Alser and L/C Owens met with the (Charlie Roth) and the various managers and. Various aspects of the relocation of the photo R&D were discussed. Our main purpose was to have agree to support our R&D effort with processing and QC functions, to include not only the equipment, but the manpower. agreed to this tasking on a non-interference basis.

Lt Colonel, USAF
Executive

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