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THE NRO STAFF

Dr. MER Rey an 19 August 1977

MEMORANDUM FOR DR. MARK

NOTE UNDER SECRETARY'S COMMENT

Yesterday afternoon I attended a meeting called hastily by John McMahon and to discuss the draft executive order implementing PD/NSC-17. The antodees were the NFIB principals, minus the DCI, plus and one or two staffers I didn't know.

McMahon and pened by saying this was a first cut, intended to get the "first blush" views of the NFIB before proceeding. They mentioned that they are keeping the Senate Select Committee staff advised of their progress. They solicited detailed inputs before Monday from anyone who had then.

There were only a few real meaty comments. Most comments had to do with the legal prohibitions, legal terminology, and the statements of various agencies' roles in the Intelligence Community. (State, Treasury, FBI, JCS, and CIA suggested changes that would either slightly expand their charter or reduce outside interference.) This all seemed fairly minor.

The comments I considered significant were:

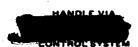
NSA: Document blurs the line between law enforcement and intelligence collection. Worried about losing sources and methods in a strict case. The Drug Enforcement Agency is now a member of NFIB (apparently by order of the Special Coordinating Committee). Increases worry.

DIA: Worried about changing nature of NFIB; structure too loose. Thinks DCI should be very cautious about stating what he wants NFIB to be.

JCS: Tactical intelligence should be clearly ground-ruled out of NFIP.

I made the following points:

NRO membership on NFIB is ambiguous. The 1965 Charter is source document; hard to deal with in the open. Charter outdated and efforts to update it last year failed.



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NITC participation not specific. We assume we will be involved in a major way.

No one offered any negative comments on my remarks. iid he perceived you wanted to be a full member. All agreed that deeply involved with the NITC.

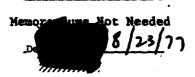
The questions that I brought up Wednesday night based on the IC Staff draft seemed to have gone away. None were brought up. Neither did anyone from Defense bring up the question of the NITC location, I think on the grounds that all those details need to be worked out. There were no fundamental jurisdictional questions raised, possibly excepting the JCS remark on tactical intelligence.

I did not perceive a need to make more detailed inputs. If we watch carefully, we should get another cut at the document. If you wish, we can draft a memorandum to Admiral Murphy and John McMahon requesting explicit statement of NRO membership on NFIB and in the NITC.



Brigadier General, USAF Director

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