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SUBJECT

: Conversation with the Resistant to the Deputy Director (Flame) for Resoutive Branch Matters, on 23 May 1961 Regarding Special Support Requirements

- 1. Particular of material coming to the fall Group, as well as that relating to infinite stated that Mr. Burdy was interested in systematical training the infinite of material coming to the fall Group, as well as that relating to other high priority projects requiring consideration at the highest political levels.
- R. The problem as explained it appears to divide itself into two issues: One deals with the submission of anterial proceeding to the 5412 Group and presumably terminating there ar being handled by them with higher authorities. Secondly, there is the problem of providing a regular mouthly summary from MPD, covering recommissance ebjectives scheduled for a given calendar mouth, which report, sace it was available to Mr. Bundy, would be reflected in postings made in a new Situation News to be established in the White House for the President and overseen by Bromley Smith (former Executive Officer of OGS), who is new serving as Assistant to Mr. Bundy.
- 3. In the first case said he felt that we should continue to handle our staff papers and black books in the same manner as before with the emorption of the fact that Mr. Patrick Seyne of the Norwige Intelligence Africary Beard will be the focal point for all of our material proceeding to the 5412 Group or to the White Mouse for information or approvals. Apparently Coyne will be performing this task somethat entitles the limitations of his job as Secretary to the FIAS. I infer from this interposition of Coyne that in the case, for example, of a COMMA mission black book which we now normally furnish Brig. General Clifton for White House clearance, we would now route to the White House via May and Mr. Gayne.

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4. In the case of the Situation Ross, a development harkening back to the War Room of the Receivelt Bra. the requirement on MFD is slightly difbe obliged to present by the ferent. We will, according to first of each month a format of all planned recommissance activities for the following month. While me specific format has been discussed for such a report, I understand that it should be addressed to Mr. Bundy, via BD/F and Mr. Coyne of course, and should cover the following major headings for each activity: area in which coverage is proposed, i.e., FE, SR, WE, etc.; date or dates of proposed coverage; a general (but brief) statement of the basic mission, and a reflection of the date and place of major political approvals; i.e., "mission(s) approved by 5412 Group on 1 May 1961". I suspect that the formst presently used in MPB to inform the DB/F of weekly activities is susceptible of adoption for this purpose. Our first such report is the for submission MAP OGS 31 May, covering the mouth of June 1961. At the moment there is an unsettled question regarding the inclusion and Project COMONA, since the first of these is in this report of not strictly speaking a U. S. recommeissance effort as such, and the second is at issue because it is unmanned versus named recommissance. Mr. said that he would shock with Mr. Missell on these two subjects and would advise me as to the inclusion of either or both in the impending report. One fairly complicating feature of my diseassion with Mr. on this subject was that I did not know, and he was not sure, if he was COROMA cleared, although he readily admitted having prior knowledge of this activity and having handled some of the paper work connected with it in the approval stage.

- 5. Mr. Coyne has requested all Agency clearances for through Mr. Kirkpetrick, which is his nermal channel for such matters, and that in addition elegrances were to be asked for \$300 of Mr. Coyne's secre-IPD/Security is taking and Mrs. teries, a Miss action I understand on the last two individuals. The phrase "all clearances" of source, does not include access to Project GREARS. expressed himself as being somewhat less than wholly inspired Hr. by the establishment of this additional mechanism in the Ensoutive Branck, since it was his feeling and mine that there were many problems of access and control associated with the smooth working of such machinery, but we can both console curselves with the knowledge that this seme sort of requirement is being levied on the military services with regard to their various recommaissence responsibilities.
- 6. For the present then I believe we should thoughtfully evaluate the monthly report requirement, and I accordingly will request that Mr. in conjunction with the state of the proposed of o

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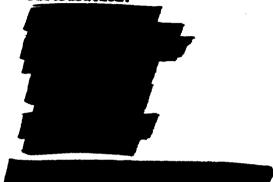
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format to include several sample mission proposals which should then reach me me later than the close of business 25 May for a first review.

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