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27 July 1962

MEMORANDUM FOR The Chairman, United States Intelligence Board

SUBJECT: ~~(TS)~~NRO Interface with the USIB

Since the ~~(S)~~National Reconnaissance Office is chartered to respond only to United States Intelligence Board requirements in establishing and conducting the ~~(TS)~~National Reconnaissance Program, it would seem essential that a good working interface be established between the USIB and the ~~(S)~~NRO. This interface would assure that the USIB is fully and currently informed on all pertinent ~~(S)~~NRO matters relevant to its deliberations and decisions, so that these actions may be taken in full knowledge of ~~(TS)~~NRP capabilities and limitations which apply. It also would assure that the ~~(S)~~NRO has a complete understanding of the USIB intent in regard to requirements and priorities. In addition, I believe that it would constitute an essential step in establishing the teamwork which will be required to realize the full potential of advanced collection projects under development.

I suggest, therefore, that the ~~(S)~~NRO be represented on the principal subsidiary committee(s) of the USIB which are concerned with the ~~(TS)~~NRP. In view of the specific relationship between the USIB and the ~~(S)~~NRO, I would view an ex-officio membership arrangement to be most appropriate.

Within the ~~(S)~~NRO, the establishment and maintenance of the ~~(S)~~NRO interface with the USIB, and the coordination of all peripheral reconnaissance activities of the U. S. with the missions of the ~~(TS)~~NRP are responsibilities of the ~~(S)~~NRO staff. (See Incl #1.) Accordingly, I would like to request that you consider designation of the Deputy for Operations (of the ~~(S)~~NRO staff) as an ex-officio member of the COMCOR, with one of his officers as his alternate. Whether there also should be ex-officio membership from the ~~(S)~~NRO staff on the SIGINT committee would seem to depend upon the use to be made of that committee in regard to ~~(TS)~~NRP projects as discussed in my memorandum to you of 5 June 62.

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