

25 June 1958

MEMORANDUM FOR : Special Assistant to the Director
for Planning and Development

THROUGH : Deputy Director, DDP/DCI
Director of Administration, DDP/DCI

SUBJECT : [REDACTED]
Assistant Secretary of Defense, Comptroller
(CORONA Briefing)

1. In accord with our discussion on 25 June, I met with [REDACTED], Assistant Secretary of Defense, Comptroller, at his office on the same date. Also present were [REDACTED], Assistant Secretary of the Air Force, Financial Management, and [REDACTED], who is handling financial matters for AFSA at present. I delivered your memorandum to Mr. Ray Johnson concerning [REDACTED] to [REDACTED] prior to the conference.

2. The discussion included my giving [REDACTED] a general briefing on the Department of Defense/AFSA sponsorship of CORONA, its equipment, and mission. A review of the problems of funding the program was outlined by [REDACTED].

3. [REDACTED] was most receptive and [REDACTED] and he agreed to implement proposals advanced by [REDACTED] dealing with the transfer of funds from the Air Force budget to AFSA to cover certain immediate costs. [REDACTED] was asked by [REDACTED] to prepare documents setting this in motion and to also outline the additional steps necessary to cover the entire program expense.

4. [REDACTED] raised the question of explaining this transfer of funds to the Bureau of the Budget and asked whether a Budget representative was cleared for the program. I

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explained that, though we do not have such an official
clearance at this time, we have kept several Soviet officials
apprised of our special project activities, and we most
assuredly could make them privy to the CORONA program
should this prove necessary. [REDACTED] will contact us
if this support is required.

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Security Officer
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