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EOI

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NOTE FOR: Les Dirks
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SUBJECT : EOI Guidance Committee Meeting for
23 March 1971

1. This is simply an informal note to coordinate aspects of the upcoming meeting. The objective of this meeting will be to define, to the degree feasible, questions which production offices in the DDI and DDS&T should be considering now in relation to the options which NPIC and the EOI Processing Facility may have for handling the EOI product. I would hope, as a minimum, that questions which you have concerning consumer applications or needs could be formulated so that they could be given to the production offices for comment on a time scale consistent with your needs.

2. I suggest that we have the NPIC review of PI considerations that was being held over from earlier discussions. It would include:

a. Judgments as to the number of PI's that appear to be required under various assumptions--number per shift, skills, specializations, etc.

b. Direct imagery interpretation support requirements including need for tie-in to imagery data base, collateral data, technical services, etc.

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c. Physical location considerations, including management of remote detachment-- Tiger Team experience, etc.

d. New roles, if any, which NPIC might play in the overall tasking-response cycle.

3. It would be useful for the OSP review of Processing Facility considerations to be in the context of a plan optimized from the point of view of EOI program considerations. As I understand it, this would involve an assumption that the PF and NPIC would be at different locations when the EOI system begins operations, and that the PF initially would be at the same location as the Receiving Facility which would be no closer than, say, Considerations would involve:

a. The minimum and maximum PI functions which can be considered for performance at the PF.

b. The support, reporting, and image production requirements which would go with these.

c. The physical interfaces and communication links which need to be defined between the PF, NPIC, and the production offices, including needs of the intelligence community at large.

d. The relationship which degrees of remoteness have to increased requirements for consumer/user space, communications, etc.

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4. The questions which are formulated for the production offices should serve both to amplify their thinking at this stage and to afford practical guidance to you on planning. I hope that this process can also serve as the basis for defining the way in which the community itself should address these questions as the program proceeds.

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