

GENERAL N. F. TWINING

CHIEF OF STAFF, U S A F

DATE 18 July 1955

MEMORANDUM TO: DCS/Operations

To note.

I understand that action has been taken as indicated in the memorandum from the Secretary of the Air Force.



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DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
WASHINGTON

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

June 27, 1955

MEMORANDUM FOR THE CHIEF OF STAFF

In regard to a special project in which Colonel Ritland is involved, I have had certain conversations with Allen Dulles which lead me to the conclusion that the operational phase of this project should be carried on as a joint task force operation between the Air Force and CIA. Inasmuch as Colonel Ritland is completely familiar with all the technical and operational aspects of this project, it is requested that he be assigned to head the Air Force portion of the task force. CIA has agreed to assign him as commander of the operational portion of the project, with operational control over both Air Force and CIA personnel.

It is important that the various support elements of the Air Force be informed of this decision and that support be provided this project on the highest possible priority.

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