31 October 1948

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. EDGAR:

SUBJECT: Operations Memorandum No. 2

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BY THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY

1. Attached are recommended new instructions for liaison and contact requirements.

2. This draft is concurred in by all ICAP8 members except Colonel Adams and Colonel Edwards who are temporarily absent.

3. In connection with Captain Watts' statement that we should draw up general liaison plans with the agencies, CIG activities were recently called upon to submit to ICAP8 their liaison requirements. When these are received, we should proceed along the lines recommended by Captain Watts. Such action, however, need not delay publication of Operations Memorandum No. 2.

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Colonel, AICP
Comment No. 1 - Watts

In para. 6 I suggest substitution of "activities" for "agencies" in 1st line to avoid misunderstanding. In para. 4, believe that should be a "S" at end of "contact".

I am aware of the agency's cooperation with the agencies to go to some standard liaison procedures, and that they should be made effective only after approval by the agency concerned. A. Watts
CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE GROUP

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1. CIG Operations Memorandum No. 1 dated 3 September 1946 is rescinded.

2. Reference is made to paragraph 1, Changes 2 to CIG Administrative Order No. 6, dated 12 August 1946.

3. Current experience indicates that CIG activities are independently contacting other agencies in connection with the development of plans already being coordinated by IOAPS. Confusion is thereby created in outside agencies and within CIG through lack of central direction and conflicting agency targets. All such direct contacts will hereafter be limited to that approved in writing by IOAPS.

4. All CIG liaison contacts with other agencies of the Government will be made initially by IOAPS, except as provided in CIG Administrative Order No. 6, dated 12 August 1946, and normal administrative contacts.

5. The term "liaison contacts" includes all contacts with Army and other agencies in connection with the initial development of any CIG operation or project through the planning stages to the point of approval for implementation.

6. At such time as plans and policies are approved for implementation, direct liaison functions will be delegated in writing to other CIG activities. Delegation will include specific points of liaison contact authorized in CIG and other agencies. Rigid adherence to established policies will be required, and copies of all direct correspondences in connection with authorized direct liaison will be sent to IOAPS. This will not include the normal exchange of information and intelligence data.

7. The Executive for Personnel and Administration will insist that no liaison matters are cleared to other Government agencies without reference to IOAPS, except those matters specifically approved by separate written authority.