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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director for Science and Technology

SUBJECT : Cataloging of R&D Projects

REFERENCE : Your memorandum same subject, dated 26 Dec 64

1. I have noted your memorandum of 26 December registering concern over the establishment of an Agency R&D catalog. Detailed identification of all R&D effort of the Agency has been undertaken on the instructions of the Director and is necessary to the orderly defense and execution of the Agency budget. The system has also been tailored to the individual needs of the offices concerned and is an important forward step in improving a consistent data input required in the Agency's project approval system under [redacted] 25X1

2. You should assure the Research and Development Board that it is not my intention to employ the catalog in community coordination matters. Should the catalog prove to be a helpful tool to the Agency in responding to any future NIPE requirements, I would require that ground rules in the use of the materials be worked out with each Deputy Director concerned reflecting whatever reservations may exist. Meanwhile, the present exercise is for the express purpose of improving top management's insight into all research and development activities for which Agency dollars and personnel are employed.

3. You may feel assured that from the outset BPAM has been sensitive to the legitimate concern over the security of such consolidated lists. The required data accordingly has been coordinated with all interested R&D elements, especially TSD, in order to assure that necessary safeguards are established for protecting the information both internally and externally.

4. Finally, with respect to coordination of R&D I would refer you to the discussions we held with General Carter on the subject of the terms of reference of the Research and Development Board. At that time, there was general agreement that the logical central

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point for the coordination and analysis of budget proposals of all Agency activities, including R&D, is the Office of Budget, Program Analysis, and Manpower. It was also understood that BPAM would be held responsible for independent recommendations on the allocation of funds and manpower to Agency activities including R&D. Therefore, the authority to coordinate R&D activities from a budgetary point of view has been designated to BPAM and the responsibility for assembling the cataloging data assigned accordingly.

5. The completion date of 8 January set forth in the Director/BPAM's memorandum of 30 November still appears reasonable. Your cooperation in meeting this requirement is most appreciated.

(signed) Lyman B. Kirkpatrick

Lyman B. Kirkpatrick
Executive Director-Comptroller

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26 DEC 1964

MEMORANDUM FOR: Executive Director

SUBJECT: Cataloging of R&D Projects

1. In connection with the activities of the Research and Development Board, I asked [redacted] last spring to attempt to construct a framework in which all CIA R&D projects could be logically placed. It was hoped that such an organization would place the entire effort in better perspective and provide a basis for useful discussion in the R&D Board. Ed found this a difficult job but made some progress before he left. Representatives of O/BPAM took a lively interest in this activity, as it gave a prospectus for analyzing the R&D budget proposals of the four Directorates in a common structure. Since that time, O/BPAM has asked our help in continuing and enlarging such a program. NIPE has indicated that information about all CIA R&D programs is needed to effect community coordination of such projects. 25X1

2. This train of events and its implications has been discussed at several meetings of the R&D Board. The reaction to such a cataloging has been increasingly negative. I believe that this is based on two factors: (a) It has now become clear to all members of the Board that no effective coordination of R&D activities is likely to be authorized, either by the DD/S&T or the Board, and that they have only sovereignty to lose by contributing to such analysis; and (b) A genuine anxiety that such information will

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be used by NIPE or other elements of the CIA engaged in community coordination as "trading stamps" in what will probably be a unilateral or unproductive exchange. The members of the Board believe that DOD has little to offer and much to gain in such an exchange, especially DIA, which so far is purely a middleman in such activities. The clandestine components are sensitive to the dispersal potential of such consolidated lists, especially if they should be provided to DOD, etc., by higher authority. A traditional safeguard against such philanthropy has been not to create them.

3. My purpose in setting these considerations down is to call your attention and that of the DDCI to the general attitude toward the creation of a consolidated R&D digest. Until one can be quite precise about its potential use and dissemination, one can expect considerable opposition. For my own part, such a listing is of no value to the DD/S&T unless it is to play the coordinating role in R&D originally discussed in July, 1963. Certainly we would prefer to carry on our own R&D relationship with relevant elements of DOD through established channels rather than through brokerage firms armed with such information. I believe that we should proceed no further until we can establish the proposed boundaries and hoist the four Directorates aboard.

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ALBERT D. WHEELON
Deputy Director
for
Science and Technology

cc: DDCI

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[redacted] passed along your views with respect to the Wheelon memo. I have prepared the attached and feel the tone is about right. I have talked to Bud Wheelon who states that his concern is not really that the Agency develop such a catalog but that the Director may choose to use it externally and therefore he (Wheelon) has dragged his feets a bit.

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