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MEMORANDUM FOR: ASSISTANT TO THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE (SPECIAL OPERATIONS)

SUBJECT: The Question of Transfer to the Department of Defense of Certain CIA Activities in [redacted] 25X

REFERENCES:

A. DCI Memo to C/JCS dtd 29 October 1956, subj: Review of Unconventional Warfare Requirements, with attachment, Criteria for Determination of Wartime Military Requirements for CIA Clandestine Operations.

B. Memo for DCI from JCS dtd 17 July 1956, SM-399-56, subj: Review of UW Requirements.

1. For some months, representatives of CIA and Defense have exchanged views and information on the alignment of CIA and Defense responsibilities in unconventional warfare preparation [redacted]. While these informal discussions 25X have not led to any formally agreed conclusions, we feel that they are a base for more effective synchronization of our respective roles in the future.

2. We did not have a firm opinion on the alignment of these roles when this exchange began. As a result of these discussions, we now feel that the CIA program, as now oriented, should be continued by CIA. Our present concept of this program is fully within the CIA role in war preparation, as defined by the Director of Central Intelligence in Reference A with the agreement of the Joint Chiefs of Staff (Reference B).

25X1 3. While we have concluded that CIA should continue this program [redacted] 25X [redacted] we are continuing to review CIA activities elsewhere in the unconventional warfare field. As we find cases meriting discussion of CIA and Defense

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roles and relationships, we will raise them with you. Equally, we consider it appropriate for you to open discussion with us in any case in which you feel that our roles and relationships should be re-examined.

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