



INTELLIGENCE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Survey of U. S. Information Agency's Intelligence Needs

1. The Director of Central Intelligence, on request of the Director of the U. S. Information Agency, and with the full support of the Department of State, has agreed to appoint an officer to conduct a survey of the U. S. Information Agency's essential intelligence needs. It is recognized that the U. S. Information Agency, in view of its recently acquired independent status, has a need for intelligence in order to fulfill its overseas information mission. Likewise, the U. S. Information Agency can probably provide resources useful to the Intelligence community.

2. There is attached at Tab A the Terms of Reference for this survey, which will be conducted under the direction of Mr. Richard Bissell, Special Assistant to the DCI for Planning and Coordination.

3. It will be of undoubted assistance to the successful conclusion of this survey to have the advice of the IAC members and such information as they may have which bears on this question. Moreover, many IAC agencies have related needs for intelligence in support of propaganda and psychological warfare and an interest in the effects of any proposed arrangements on the respective agencies. Hence it would be appreciated if each IAC member would notify the undersigned as to a representative with whom Mr. Bissell's designee may work.

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Terms of Reference for U. S. Information Agency's

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1. In view of the U. S. Information Agency's mission and functions, as stated in the U. S. Information and Educational Exchange Act of 1948, as amended; in the President's Message to the Congress of 1 June 1953, and in NSC 165/1, 24 October 1953, the survey shall:

a. Identify the types of intelligence and intelligence information required to meet the U. S. Information Agency's essential needs.

b. Recommend the organizational arrangements, and sources and magnitude of funds, required to provide the U. S. Information Agency with such essential intelligence and intelligence information as can be obtained and which can be made available.

c. Recommend measures to insure that such intelligence or intelligence information produced or collected by the U. S. Information Agency is made available to the IAC agencies.

In conducting the survey, the related needs of all intelligence agencies for similar intelligence and intelligence information should be taken into account as well as the resources both in Washington and in the field.

2. Among specific problems to be included in the survey are:

1) What are the U. S. Information Agency's essential intelligence needs to support its policy, programs, field and media operations, evaluation and training?

2) Are the present mechanisms and interdepartmental arrangements adequately responsive to the U. S. Information Agency's essential needs?

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3) What present facilities and resources in the Government not now utilized by or made available to the U. S. Information Agency could be more effectively utilized by the U. S. Information Agency in order to satisfy its intelligence needs ?

4) Is there any important intelligence available uniquely to the U. S. Information Agency which is not known to the intelligence community? Is there likely to be any such under new arrangements ?

5) Is the intelligence and intelligence information required to support a covert psychological warfare program and the U. S. Information Agency program so similar that it could be provided most efficiently by a single organization? If so, where should that organization be ?

6) If the U. S. Information Agency needs an intelligence staff, what should be the order of magnitude of such a staff ?

7) Should the U. S. Information Agency be a member of the IAC ?

8) Are revisions required in NSC Intelligence Directives ?

9) What security arrangements are required to meet solutions to the above problems, and in particular, how can the needs of the U. S. Information Agency for declassification of pertinent intelligence best be achieved ?

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