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DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE DIRECTIVE 3/5\*

PRODUCTION OF SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE

Pursuant to the provisions of NSCID No. 3 and for the purpose of strengthening the over-all governmental intelligence structure, the following policies, procedures and practices are hereby established for the production and coordination of scientific and technical intelligence.

1. Policies

The following basic principles shall apply to the discharge of responsibilities by the departments and agencies concerned.

a. No complete separation of areas of interest is desirable or possible.

b. Full and free interchange among all departments and agencies of information which has utility for intelligence relating to the national security is essential. This includes intelligence information, finished intelligence, and information on internal and external intelligence research programs.

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\*This Directive supersedes DCID 3/4 of 14 August 1952. For directives pertaining to atomic energy and guided missiles and astronautic intelligence, see DCID 3/3 and DCID 3/4.

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c. Each department or agency shall develop special competence in those intelligence fields directly related to its primary departmental responsibilities and shall normally carry out the bulk of the research in those fields.

d. Each department or agency may make such studies as it believes necessary to supplement intelligence obtainable from other departments and agencies in order to meet its own departmental requirements, but unnecessary duplication and overlap shall be avoided.

**2. Production Responsibilities**

To ensure that the capabilities of the departments and agencies are effectively utilized in the common interest for the production of scientific and technical intelligence, the following division of interests, subject to refinement through a continuous program of coordination and evaluation by the Director of Central Intelligence to promote an integration of effort and to avoid undesirable duplication, shall serve as a general delineation of primary responsibilities.

a. The Central Intelligence Agency shall produce scientific and technical intelligence as a service of common concern and as required to fulfill the statutory responsibilities of the Director of Central Intelligence.

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b. The other departments or agencies shall produce scientific and technical intelligence pertinent to their departmental missions.

3. Establishment of the Scientific Intelligence Committee

The Scientific Intelligence Committee is hereby established as a committee of the United States Intelligence Board to coordinate scientific and technical intelligence activities of the Government as set forth below.

4. Mission of the Scientific Intelligence Committee

The mission of the Scientific Intelligence Committee (SIC) shall be to foster, develop and maintain a coordinated community approach to problems in the field of scientific and technical intelligence (except for atomic energy and guided missile intelligence), to promote inter-Agency liaison and give added impetus and community support to efforts of individual agencies.

Specific responsibilities of the Scientific Intelligence Committee shall include the following:

a. To provide a mechanism for the exchange of scientific and technical information for intelligence purposes related to the national security.

CIA and  
NSA members

b. To develop scientific and technical intelligence objectives and to review the scope of collection and production efforts to meet these objectives. /

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- Other members      To develop scientific and technical intelligence objectives and to evaluate progress in achieving these objectives. 7
- All except Joint Staff and Navy      c. To produce (1) coordinated drafts of national intelligence estimates, (2) contributions to national intelligence estimates, and (3) other inter-departmental intelligence as appropriate. 7
- Joint Staff and Navy      To prepare drafts of or contributions to national intelligence estimates in the field of foreign scientific and technical activities and to produce interdepartmental intelligence as authorized by the U. S. Intelligence Board. 7
- Furthermore, to (4) coordinate intelligence community opinion on significant foreign scientific and technical developments and to produce appropriate reports to the Board thereon. In the field of current intelligence, SIC responsibility pertains to the evaluation of important events in science and technology and not to the reporting of such events.
- d. To determine the important deficiencies in scientific and technical intelligence, to take appropriate remedial action, and to recommend to the U. S. Intelligence Board remedial action beyond the authority of the SIC.
- e. To provide a mechanism for coordinating as appropriate the scientific and technical intelligence production efforts of the member agencies, including specifically the scientific and technical portions of the National Intelligence Survey.

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f. To provide staff support, as required by the U. S. Intelligence Board, for international conferences on scientific and technical intelligence.

5. Membership of the Scientific Intelligence Committee

The Scientific Intelligence Committee shall be composed of designated representatives of the U. S. Intelligence Board departments and agencies. Other departments and agencies may be invited by the Chairman to participate in the work of the SIC on a particular problem as agreed by the Committee.

6. Chairmanship of the Scientific Intelligence Committee

The Chairman of the Scientific Intelligence Committee shall be designated

Army, Navy, Air Force annually by the U. S. Intelligence Board,  
and the Joint Staff  
members

CIA, State, OSD, and by the Director of Central Intelligence with the  
AEC members  
concurrence of the Intelligence Board.

The Central Intelligence Agency shall provide the secretariat.

7. Subcommittees of the Scientific Intelligence Committee

All except The Scientific Intelligence Committee may establish subcommittees  
Navy, Air  
Force and working groups as appropriate.  
and Joint  
Staff

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Navy / may establish ad hoc working groups. ]

Air Force / shall establish subcommittees in electronics, biological and chemical warfare, and medicine, and working groups as appropriate. ]

Joint Staff / shall establish ad hoc subcommittees and working groups as appropriate. ]

8. The Scientific Intelligence Committee shall share with the Joint Atomic Energy Intelligence Committee, Guided Missile and Astronautics Intelligence Committee, Economic Intelligence Committee, and other appropriate Board committees responsibility for the coordination of areas of joint or overlapping concern. Care shall be taken to avoid undesirable duplication in activities and also to ensure that no important scientific, technical or economic intelligence matter is neglected or escapes attention by falling between areas of established separate committee activities. The chairman of each of these committees shall be responsible for ensuring liaison and coordination with the other committees involved on any and all matters of joint or overlapping concern.



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