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MEMORANDUM FOR MR. GILPATRIC

SUBJECT: JCS Proposal Concerning Communist China

I have gone over General Taylor's paper on this matter and conclude that it has at least a prime-fa~~ci~~ case for detailed exploration, which I should think should be under the auspices of the Special Group (5412). I would recommend your sending a copy to John McCone for his initial reaction, and thereafter bringing it up in the Special Group.

As it stands, the paper does not have enough detail to get a real feel of which of the steps, if any, might turn out to be really feasible. This would require a very close melding of intelligence people, scientists, and the operating types. But it certainly does seem worth a try.

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Assistant Secretary of Defense

1 Attach.  
Memo for SecDef, JCSM 939-63, 3 Dec 63,  
(SecDef Cont Nr. X-7913) w/note to SecDef  
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