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MEMORANDUM FOR: AD/OSI ✓
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FROM : Assistant Deputy/Inspection and Security
SUBJECT : BLUEBIRD

1. Documents pertaining to the Project BLUEBIRD require special handling because of the extremely sensitive nature of the information pertaining to this project. For the control of documents pertaining to this project the following security requirements are set forth:

a. All documents within CIA will be classified TOP SECRET and will be handcarried in transmission from one office to another on an "Eyes Only" basis.

b. It will be possible to classify some documents as SECRET when the subject matter of a document does not specify the true purpose of this program nor does it make direct reference to the materials and means utilized in furtherance of this program.

c. Arrangements should be made with key officers in Army, Navy, Air and FBI who will serve as contact points in their respective departments for exchange of information concerning this program.

d. Documents sent from CIA to the above departments should be on a TOP SECRET "Eyes Only" basis to the contact officials in each department. The contact officials should be advised that further dissemination should be limited to only those persons who have "need to know."

e. A control list will be established for all persons who have a need to know and are briefed on this project. The list will be maintained by ⁶⁵ and each office (OSO, OPC, OSI) will keep ¹⁷⁵ informed of those persons who have been briefed and should be added to the control list. For coordination and implementation purposes the control list will be available to the respective offices to determine those persons who have been appropriately briefed and cleared to participate in this project.

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