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MEMORANDUM FOR: ~~DATE~~ RECORDSUBJECT : Dissemination of Information Obtain from
Stanford Research Institute (SRI)
Paranormal Research Contract

1. Now that the SRI paranormal abilities investigation is continuing for another year, a decision must be made concerning the dissemination of results and the knowledge of CIA involvement.

Although no other government agency is aware of the current status of the investigation, several have at least partial knowledge

of past ~~history~~ ^{ACTIVITIES} and interest. Our ~~original~~ ^{revitalization of} investigation

interest in paranormal abilities was shared with Advanced

about one year ago.

Research Projects Agency. Since that time, the National Security

Agency, Defense Intelligence Agency and Army Material Command

have received briefingsⁿ of varying degrees of completeness.

The above agencies have also requested and received proposals
~~Some of these briefings were requested on the justification of~~
~~concerning paranormal research from SRI. These proposals summarize~~
~~interest in foreign effort but obviously a complete answer~~
~~experiments done between our ~~same~~ projects but are indisputable~~
~~could not be given without some indication of relevant data~~
~~of the results we obtained on similar experiments,~~
~~generated at SRI.~~

2. In addition to this direct awareness of CIA activities, there is now a rapidly expanding public interest in parapsychology.

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Much of this has been sparked by Uri Geller's willingness to display his abilities in large public forums but is clearly driven by a current willingness or need to consider radical alternative explanations to many of life's unanswered questions. This public interest will generate a group of people who will assume that CIA is logically also interested in these abilities.

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3. There are and will be individuals who because of direct knowledge or logical deduction who will request information about CIA interest and results. There now is no policy on handling such requests. Such a policy should be formulated and responsible individuals named to assure its implementation.

4. As one possible alternate it is suggested that Dr. Kenneth Kress, project office of the SRI investigation be given the responsibility and authority to determine dissemination of the existence of and results from the SRI investigation.

The major justification for this suggestion is that he will maintain the most complete awareness of the current status. It is suggested that direct or indirect requests for information concerning the SRI project be coordinated with and managed by Dr. Kress.

5. There are ^{ly} alternative ~~suggestions which include~~ the **CONTROL OF INFORMATION CAN BE** ~~decision being~~ made at the DDS&T level ^{OR SOME INTERMEDIATE LEVEL} ~~on down the line.~~ It

~~may be argued that the policy of interagency communications should be set at the DDS&T or lower level and only implemented~~

by Dr. Kress. ^{THIS} ~~All these~~ ^{HAS} suggestions have some merit. It is

simply emphasized here that there ^{AS} ~~now~~ ^{DESIGNATED RESPONSIBLE} is not such policy decision ^{AGENT FOR SUCH DEC} and that it is needed.

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