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MEMORANDUM FOR:

SUBJECT: Project OFTEN History

1. The first contract in support of Project OFTEN was approved by the then _____ on 10 March 1966. The DCI at that time was Admiral Raborne and the DDCI was Richard Helms.

2. The memorandum in support of that proposal stated, "This work is in support of continuing _____ needs for better and safer behavioral control tools and in support of _____ Division's requirements concerning chemical and biological agents affecting behavior."

3. A Materials Analysis Project was initiated by _____ in 1970. Work in this area had already begun in 1966 under the old Behavior Control Project. The work, initially a drug screening program, has developed into a large, closely held, computer based project concerned with world-wide developments in toxicology leading to potential threats to American officials and technicians. The project is intended to enhance Agency capability to detect and nullify exploitation of U.S. personnel by means of material agents (drugs). At present, the project consists

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of nine contracts including two no-cost actions plus one large in-house effort with its own dedicated computer terminals and isolated screen room.

4. During the month of June 1970, a comprehensive briefing on this project was given to _____ and Dr. _____. This group approved the project. i.e., its scope and purpose.