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MEMORANDUM FOR: Assistant Director, SI

SUBJECT : Progress on BLUEBIRD

Progress

- 1. Since the meeting of 24 May 1951 in New York there have been the following meetings (reports in the files):
 - a. 1 June 1951 - Dr. [Redacted] and [Redacted] in Montreal.
 - b. 5, 8, and 11 June 1951 - General meeting of group in Washington.

2. The status of the activities outlined in the memorandum of 13 March 1951 is briefly described below:

OSI

- a. Appointment of a Coordinator - Finished business.
- b. Establishment of a Panel - Dr. [Redacted] now has:
 - (1) Decided on the membership of the Panel.
 - (2) One member fully processed (his assistant [Redacted]).
 - (3) Obtained expressions of interest from the balance who have a preliminary clearance but will require further processing:
 - (a) [Redacted]
 - (b) [Redacted]
 - (c) [Redacted]

- c. Coordination with JAC Agencies.
 - (1) Navy - fully established through Mr. Alberti and Mr. [Redacted].
 - (2) Army - The Army designee, Lt. Col. William Gardner, has shown a cooperative interest. He has started to elucidate the Army interest in Bluebird, but has not completed his investigation.

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(3) Air Force - [redacted] [redacted] [redacted] (Medical) has been briefed. He stated General [redacted] has for a long time been interested in conditioning which would block disclosure.

- d. Establishment of research projects - yet to be developed.
- e. Furnish teams with information as to new techniques - to be developed.
- f. Receive reports of field teams - received and filed.

IBSS

a. Recruitment - A special committee has been appointed to screen employees and applicants for membership on teams. [redacted] as the Chairman, [redacted] and [redacted] are represented.

b. Trained teams - No new teams have been organized but the personnel is available to form a team to carry out any emergency operation.

a. Supply available qualified personnel - These offices are represented on the committee referred to under IBSS (a) above.

b. Work with Interrogation Centers - Apparently the work at these centers has not progressed to the point where trained teams could be fully employed if available.

c. Overseas experimentation - to be developed.

3. Significant briefings.

a. [redacted] briefed Mr. Dulles on his trip to Montreal and sent him a copy of the report. Copies of the report were also sent to [redacted] and Mr. Kirkpatrick.

b. [redacted] has briefed [redacted] and [redacted] of General [redacted]'s office.

c. [redacted] and [redacted] briefed Dr. Webster of IBSS.

4. Administrative

a. The possibility of [redacted] [redacted] Clark playing a role in this operation is at present doubtful. His assignment to Ft. Sill, Oklahoma as expected.

b. A simple name file of all persons connected with the operation has been established in C/SI. Briefing status is given.

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5. Substantive

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