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MEMORANDUM

TO: [REDACTED] G  
FROM: Chief, [REDACTED] G  
SUBJECT: BLUEBIRD Project

1. On 15 November 1950 Messrs. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] met with A  
representatives of [REDACTED] and IAS concerning the above project. An G  
earlier meeting had been held at which time IAS furnished a report  
concerning the successful use of BLUEBIRD techniques in the [REDACTED] F  
[REDACTED]. The present meeting was to discuss the development and im-  
plementation of this project. Attached is a memorandum submitted  
by IAS, setting forth a proposed program.

2. It is noted that among other things the proposal calls G  
for the assignment by [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] of three qualified employees  
from each organization. These three persons, plus a medical doc-  
tor and an interrogator to be recruited by IAS, will function  
as a team. It is understood that the BLUEBIRD duties will consti-  
tute a full time assignment. [REDACTED] has a medical doctor on its staff G  
who will be assigned to their "team".

3. It is estimated by IAS that the training time for the teams  
will be approximately six weeks, at which time they would be available  
for assignment to specific operations.

4. Although the entire field is still in an exploratory stage,  
the developments to date and the purported possibilities of BLUEBIRD G  
techniques make it imperative that [REDACTED] be as fully advised as pos-  
sible concerning all developments. The use of these techniques pre-  
sents operational possibilities and it is equally important that we  
be informed of the possibilities from a defensive standpoint. Some  
research in this field is being conducted by the [REDACTED] and possibly H-B/1  
other Government agencies.

5. The following is recommended:

- a) Division Chiefs and necessary desk personnel to generally  
briefed on the possibility of BLUEBIRD techniques. At  
some future date, depending upon the progress made, it  
will be necessary to alert our field personnel;
- b) [REDACTED] attempt to procure or assign experienced personnel to G  
this project. An outline of the qualifications considered

[REDACTED]

desirable in the light of past experience will be submitted by ICS. In this connection it is noted that the person to serve as the interrogator will be furnished by ICS. ~~\_\_\_\_\_~~ anticipates considerable difficulty in recruiting and/or training such persons to an adequate degree of proficiency. A