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Asst. Deputy Director for Inspection and Security
Assistant Director for Scientific Intelligence

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Conversations with [REDACTED] on Saturday, 24 March 1951

1. The conversations with [REDACTED] concerning the possible availability of [REDACTED] took place in [REDACTED] as planned. [REDACTED] executed the attached Memorandum of Understanding, classified "Restricted" and numbered I&S 62. He kept the second copy which you delivered to me for that purpose.

2. Conversations covered only part of the defensive aspects of Project BLUEBIRD. [REDACTED] was convinced that:

a. The project was of such importance that it was to the interest of national defense to have it successfully carried out,

b. That [REDACTED] was competent to undertake the assignment as coordinator, and

c. That [REDACTED] would be given the opportunity to decide whether or not he would undertake the CIA assignment. If he so decided the company would not stand in his way.

3. [REDACTED] felt that [REDACTED] was not uniquely qualified for the job, and he felt that there must be somebody else who could carry it on as successfully as [REDACTED]

4. The conversation developed the company's policy, to take to [REDACTED] level any call to uniformed service [REDACTED] on the basis that he was an indispensable man in any indispensable industry.

5. [REDACTED] plans to be in Washington on Saturday, [REDACTED] for further conversations with me. I would judge our chance getting his services as not higher than 50-50.

6. Please accept my thanks for the arrangements you made with me to permit me to speak freely with [REDACTED]

Encl: 1
[REDACTED] Memorandum of Understanding

FROM [REDACTED] FILE [REDACTED] A