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MEMORANDUM TO FILE

1. [redacted] delivered the copies of [redacted]'s memorandum of July 11th to the respective [redacted]. The following comments while not intended to anticipate their formal reply may have some interim value.

a. [redacted] of the [redacted] stated that he saw little difference between the application of fundamental research to the defensive or the offensive aspects of Bluebird. This is, in a large measure, due to the fact that so little is known concerning the actual effectiveness or action of various drugs.

He stated that [redacted] has now spent nearly one year at the [redacted] working with [redacted] and that he has started on a project which will keep him there for another period of at least one year. [redacted] stated he was convinced that [redacted] was receiving extensive training in psychiatry and probably for some specific purpose.

At the outset of our meeting, [redacted] introduced me briefly to a [redacted] who is the successor to [redacted] on many projects. [redacted] has attempted to find out from [redacted] just what [redacted] is doing at [redacted]. He thinks his lack of success is due to the fact that [redacted] does not know. [redacted] hopes to find out the purpose of [redacted] training from the [redacted] in the next week. If relevant to our interest he has promised to inform us.

b. [redacted] stated that he would either send us a copy of the directive signed by the [redacted] three years ago which initiated the Bluebird Projects within the [redacted] or he may paraphrase certain portions of it in the light of the accomplishments of the last few years. [redacted] stated that he believed that effective blocking is possible only through indoctrination. There is, in his opinion, no drug or hypnotic condition which is effective. [redacted] volunteered the fact that he regularly comes over to CIA to hold indoctrinations of personnel who have vital information and yet whose duties place them in a position where they may fall into enemy hands.

[redacted] stated that he was not going to distribute the memorandum which he had prepared describing [redacted]'s business activities in [redacted] prior to his arrest. He felt that distribution of such information was more properly the function of the [redacted] of [redacted].

[redacted] of the [redacted] promised to answer the memoranda in the immediate future. He stated that [redacted] who apparently has some knowledge of the Bluebird Project is and has been on leave ever since he received the folder referred to in the memorandum of 5 July 1951. [redacted] is at the present time working as a civilian in the [redacted].

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