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MEMORANDUM FOR FILE

SUBJECT: [redacted] discussions with [redacted] at 10:00 a.m.,
this date, subj: "Project Bluebird" C

1. [redacted] asked [redacted] about the status of the transcript on the [redacted] interrogations. [redacted] indicated that [redacted] is still reviewing the transcript. He stated that we would probably be disappointed in it because "there isn't really much there". He later indicated that we will receive the transcript early next week.

2. [redacted] asked [redacted] if there was any truth to a rumor we had received that [redacted] was in the hands of a [redacted] psychiatrist before his capture. [redacted] stated that this was true. It was a woman psychiatrist who gave [redacted] about 176 hours of psychiatric treatment. He stated that all of the information on this is in the transcript.

3. [redacted] briefed [redacted] on his [redacted] trip and the subsequent developments with [redacted] of [redacted]. [redacted] expressed great concern over the highly theoretical approach being taken by the [redacted] and his wish that "some of these people would get their foot on the ground". [redacted] advised [redacted] that he was making a factual report on the ideas of the [redacted] and the [redacted] and they did not necessarily reflect CIA's feeling in the matter. Actually, since we had indicated at the outset of the meeting with the [redacted] that we had no programs or few ideas on the subject, it would have been rather difficult to press them into specific operational details. H-8/3

4. [redacted] (who had just joined the conference at this point.) [redacted] advised that he was leaving town for about ten days and we should deal with [redacted] (telephone [redacted]) in his absence. In view of this fact, [redacted] asked if he could have further information on [redacted] whom [redacted] had indicated was an employee of CIA and was working on a special project with the [redacted]. [redacted] indicated that this project had to do with a [redacted] individual who had "flipped his lid" and had committed various acts of sabotage, including an attempt to knife an [redacted]. The [redacted] investigators on the west coast had proposed that the individual be brought to [redacted] and subjected to narcohypnosis to determine his true motives. A CIA employee on the west coast named [redacted] was briefed and had indicated an interest in the project (probably an [redacted] operation). When this matter was discussed with [redacted] at [redacted] he indicated that he would under no circumstances undertake the investigation because of the many people who would probably be cut in on it and the obvious reaction which would occur if the thing got out. This project is apparently dormant, but [redacted] will advise us of any further developments.

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5. [redacted] asked how the [redacted] project is progressing. [redacted] indicated that he had talked to [redacted] yesterday on the telephone. [redacted] indicated that his laboratory is now being prepared and he expects to be in operation in about two months. His principle objective at present is to test the toxicity and limitations of certain drugs. He is having difficulty in obtaining the right personnel.

6. [redacted] indicated that while we seem to be well coordinated with the [redacted] are having some difficulty in contacting the appropriate people in the [redacted] and [redacted]. Full coordination of the project requires complete knowledge of all activity going on in the military establishment. [redacted] suggested the following individuals who have previously been briefed on the [redacted] project and have projects of their own underway in the [redacted] and [redacted]. [redacted] indicated that the proper individual in the [redacted] is [redacted] who is now in [redacted] (reasons not explained). He indicated that we should also be in touch with the [redacted] in the [redacted], but gave no specific individual to contact.

7. [redacted] asked [redacted] if there was anything going on in [redacted]. [redacted] said, "no, that this is strictly an [redacted] project in connection with prisoners of war and CIA has no interest in the operations of [redacted]". [redacted] asked if there would not be some research developing from [redacted] operations which might result in duplication or conflict with our joint programs. [redacted] said no, but [redacted] said maybe. Although, [redacted] denied it, [redacted] indicated that CIA will have an Assistant Director in [redacted] and that CIA will have approximately 45 people working with this group. [redacted] expects to have its "establishment" completed by January and has in hand about \$6,000,000 for operations. [redacted] indicated that they will get into the field of Project Bluebird and have some very extensive ideas (particularly generating from the [redacted] side) as to the use of this technique.

8. [redacted] asked if they knew anything of the activities of [redacted] in his new research and development unit in the [redacted]. [redacted] stated that [redacted] is not associated in any way with any phase of this project but is primarily concerned with biological warfare. [redacted] again indicated that this might not be the case and that [redacted] might be getting into matters connected with Project Bluebird.

9. On [redacted] arrival for the meeting, [redacted] was filling out a Form 57 and indicated that he was looking for a job at "\$10,000 and up". It is very possible that his papers will be referred to CIA and it is suggested that careful consideration be given before he is processed by any of the offices associated with this Project.

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