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MEMORANDUM FOR DIRECTOR, NATIONAL RECONNAISSANCE
OFFICE (NRO) PROGRAM D
DIRECTOR, JOINT RECONNAISSANCE CENTER, JCS
DIRECTOR, DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE AGENCY
DIRECTOR OF RECONNAISSANCE, CIA
DIRECTOR OF SPECIAL PROJECTS, OSAF

SUBJECT: Project TAGBOARD -- Security Responsibilities

I. PURPOSE:

The purpose of this directive is to prescribe security controls, authorities, and responsibilities applicable to the National Reconnaissance Program (NRP) Project TAGBOARD.

II. GENERAL:

That activity, previously identified as the OXCART/
TAGBOARD program, involving the covertly developed D-21 reconnaissance drone, will henceforth and until further notice, be identified as Project TAGBOARD and maintained as a separate Security Access Approval within the BYEMAN Security Control System.

Director, NRO Program D as the program director responsible for the management of Project TAGBOARD will provide overall direction and supervision to the Security of this activity, subject to specific delegations of authority defined herein and consistent with DCI security policy guidance as set forth in BYEMAN and NRP security policy pronouncements.

Director, NRO Program D will prepare a Project TAGBOARD Security Guide for my approval and publication to elements of the U.S. Government having responsibilities to the activity. In addition, Director, NRO Program D will prepare

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security indoctrination materials and instructions for the benefit of all organizations involved under the project.

Except as modified, herein, established BYEMAN and NRP security authorities, responsibilities and channels of communication will be applicable to Project TAGBOARD.

III. SPECIFIC DELEGATIONS OF SECURITY AUTHORITY AND RESPONSIBILITY:

A. The Director, Office of Special Activities (OSA) CIA will:

1. Continue to provide an industrial security program in support of Project TAGBOARD contractual activity under his cognizance.

2. Continue to direct security protection of Project TAGBOARD activities involving Area 51 at a level of effort to be mutually agreed upon by Director OSA/CIA and Director, NRO Program D.

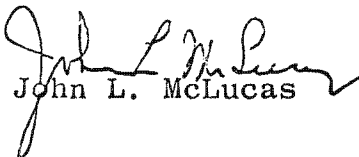
3. Exercise "must-know" authority for all individuals requiring Project TAGBOARD access pursuant to his assigned responsibilities.

B. The Director of Special Projects, Office Secretary of the Air Force (SAFSP) will:

1. Provide direction to all security matters involved in the USAF Satellite Control Facility (SCF) support to Project TAGBOARD in order to insure against compromise of other sensitive programs in which that facility is involved.

2. Exercise "must-know" authority for all individuals requiring Project TAGBOARD access pursuant to this assigned responsibility.

C. Commencing with the Project TAGBOARD operational phase, the Director, Joint Reconnaissance Center (JRC) of JCS will, through SAC and other supporting military commands, insure compliance with established BYEMAN Control System security policies and procedures.


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