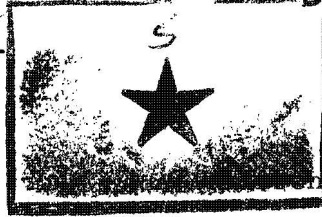


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MEMORANDUM FOR LT COLONEL YOST



Please review this scheme of things and give me your good counsel. I have discovered that if we use the deferment contract number, we disclose to a large number of uncleared EK employees (personnel in process) the fact that their work is connected with an Air Force contract. This fact is best kept from such personnel.

The letter (if signed at DOD level) does not identify USAF and therefore diffuses the specific identity. Additionally, the letter received by the uncleared individual will have only a statement such as shown in Attachment 4.

There doesn't appear to be any benefit to a combination since the letters in themselves solve the entire problem.

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WILLIAM C. BUMM
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Special Assistant to Director SAFSP

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13 March 1968

To: W. Bumm

Subject: Requests for Occupational Deferments

On several past occasions we have discussed the matter of EK requesting occupational deferment from Selective Service induction for professional and semi-professional personnel with critical skills employed on covert programs at EK. As you know, we are not permitted to disclose contract numbers, contracting agency or other program-descriptive information in our correspondence with Selective Service boards.

In our last conversation, March 1, we reviewed past letters which have been written by J. Stewart and R. Berg (see Attachment 1), and suggested that perhaps a general letter covering EK's position should be written by an appropriate official and addressed to the State Director of the New York Selective Service Board. The idea seemed acceptable to you; in fact, you thought it preferable, from a security viewpoint, to specific letters written by a person such as J. Stewart. We have explored this idea further in discussions with a representative of the State Director, and have been advised that such a letter would be received favorably and would be given consideration equal to customary reference to program identifiers contract numbers, and contracting officer. Attachment 2, herewith, is a proposed draft of a letter which we believe would be adequate, yet preserves current security posture. We suggest it should be written by an appropriate high-level official in DoD, perhaps a Director or Assistant Secretary briefed on EK's role in covert programs, someone overtly disassociated from any specific military service or program. We further suggest that the letter should be transmitted to EK via a covert channel, then forwarded overtly by EK to the State Director under a covering EK letter (see Attachment 3).

Following submission of the letter, as outlined above, EK would include a statement (see Attachment 4) in each request to a local

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board on behalf of an individual applicant. Of course, EK will continue to request a deferment only when we believe it is justified by program requirements and the national interest. Our records of such requests, supplemented by further description of critical circumstances, is available for review by your office and any other official cleared for covert programs.

We request your approval of the proposed letters. If approved, would you kindly initiate further action to obtain the general letter (Attachment 2) for us. We would appreciate having the letter prior to the next meeting of the N.Y.S. Selective Service Advisory Board meeting scheduled for April 12, 1968.

ORIGINAL SIGNED BY
D. A. SCHAEFFER

D. A. Schaeffer

DAS:MML

Approved: Original Signed By D. G. STEVENS
D. G. Stevens

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Attachment 1

DEPARTMENT OF THE AIR FORCE
WASHINGTON

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

10 APR 1967

SUBJECT: Request for Selective Service Deferment

TO: Local Board No. 75, Selective Service System
Federal Building
Church and Fitzhugh Streets
Rochester, New York 14614

1. We have been advised that an appeal to defer Mr. Richard W. Zborowski, Selective Service No. 30-75-42-733, from active military service has not been favorably considered. In this regard, the purpose of this letter is to validate the importance of Mr. Zborowski's current activities and to confirm the requirement for his retention in his present position.

2. Mr. Zborowski is a process engineering technician in the Research and Engineering Department, Eastman Kodak Company, Rochester, New York. In this capacity, he is providing invaluable support to classified projects of highest national interest under the direct cognizance of the Office of the Secretary of the Air Force.

3. Although security restrictions preclude further specific elaboration, we consider Mr. Zborowski to be essential in his present position because of his exceptional knowledge of the projects and his significant contributions to these nationally important efforts. Accordingly, it is urgently requested that Mr. Zborowski be deferred from active military service.

Russell A. Berg
RUSSELL A. BERG
 Brig General, USAF

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 New York Selective Service System

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 Selective Service System

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State Director
N.Y. Selective Service System
Albany, New York

Dear Sir:

We are transmitting the enclosed letter dated _____ and signed by _____, Department of Defense for the purpose of verifying the fact that we, in some instances, cannot reveal contract numbers nor specific work details when requesting Selective Service deferments through N.Y. State draft boards and out-of-state boards when necessary.

It is our intent to reference this letter and enclosure in each request for deferment letter when it applies.

We hope that this information will be helpful to the Selective Service System in its work of determining the deferment status of our people in this program for whom deferments are requested.

If we can be of further help in this matter, please do not hesitate to contact us.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE
WASHINGTON

Office of the Secretary

(date)

TO: State Director
New York Selective Service System
Albany, New York

VIA: Eastman Kodak Company
Kodak Apparatus Division
Rochester, New York

The purpose of this letter is to certify that the Eastman Kodak Company, Kodak Apparatus Division, Rochester, New York is currently engaged in a major program vital and critical to the National Defense. The work is conducted under a DX priority, and is expected to continue at its present level thru fiscal year 1969. Any further identification or description of the work, including reference to contract number or contracting agency, is classified and cannot be disclosed due to security restrictions.

If you require authentication of this letter, or wish to question subsequent reference to it, please contact the undersigned.

Signed:

(Title)
(Office)
(Telephone)

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We are not able to reveal details nor the contract number of the project with which the registrant is associated. It is, however, highly essential to the National Defense of the country. Verification of these facts can be obtained from the Director, N.Y. Selective Service System by referring to the Kodak Apparatus Division's letter and enclosure to him dated _____.

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