DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE DIRECTIVE NO. 3/3

PRODUCTION OF ATOMIC ENERGY INTELLIGENCE

(Effective 23 April 1955)

Pursuant to the provisions of NSCID No. 3 and for the purpose of strengthening the over-all governmental intelligence structure, the following policies, procedures, and practices are hereby established for the production and coordination of atomic energy intelligence.

1. Policies

The following principles shall apply to the discharge of responsibilities by the departments and agencies concerned:

a. No complete separation of areas of interest is desirable or possible.

b. Full and free interchange among all departments and agencies of all information which has utility for intelligence relating to the national security is essential. This includes intelligence information, finished intelligence, and information on intelligence research programs.

c. Each department or agency shall develop special competence in those intelligence fields directly related to its primary departmental responsibilities and shall normally carry out the bulk of the research in those fields.

d. Each department or agency may make such studies as it believes necessary to supplement intelligence obtainable from other departments and agencies in order to meet its departmental requirements, but unnecessary duplication and overlap shall be avoided.

2. Production Responsibilities

The production of intelligence on atomic energy is a responsibility of all departments and agencies represented on the United States Intelligence Board, to be coordinated through the Joint Atomic Energy Intelligence Committee.

3. Establishment of the Joint Atomic Energy Intelligence Committee

The Joint Atomic Energy Intelligence Committee is hereby established as a committee of the United States Intelligence Board to coordinate atomic energy intelligence activities of the Government as set forth below.

*This Directive supersedes DCID No. 3/3 (New Series) of 27 January 1959. For directives pertaining to scientific and technical and to guided missiles and astronautics intelligence see DCID No. 3/5 and DCID No. 3/4 (New Series).

*Atomic energy intelligence is intelligence related to.
4. Mission of the Joint Atomic Energy Intelligence Committee

The mission of the Joint Atomic Energy Intelligence Committee (JAEIC) shall be to foster, develop, and maintain a coordinated community approach to problems in the field of atomic energy intelligence, to promote interagency liaison, and to give added impetus and community support to the efforts of individual agencies. Specific responsibilities of the JAEIC shall include the following:

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5. Membership of the Joint Atomic Energy Intelligence Committee

The Joint Atomic Energy Intelligence Committee shall be composed of designated representatives of the departments and agencies represented on the USIB, including Army, Navy and Air Force representatives. Other departments and agencies may be invited by the Chairman to participate in the work of the JAEIC as agreed by the Committee.

6. Chairman of the Joint Atomic Energy Intelligence Committee

The Chairman of the Joint Atomic Energy Intelligence Committee shall be designated by the Director of Central Intelligence in consultation with and with the concurrence of the Intelligence Board. The Central Intelligence Agency shall provide appropriate secretariat support.

7. Subcommittees of the Joint Atomic Energy Intelligence Committee

The Joint Atomic Energy Intelligence Committee may establish working groups as appropriate and subcommittees as approved by the Intelligence Board.
8. Inter-Committee Coordination Responsibilities

The Joint Atomic Energy Intelligence Committee shall share with the Scientific Intelligence Committee, Guided Missile and Astronautics Intelligence Committee, Economic Intelligence Committee, and other appropriate Intelligence Board committees responsibility for the coordination of areas of joint or overlapping concern. Care shall be taken to avoid undesirable duplication in activities and also to ensure that no important scientific, technical or economic intelligence matter is neglected or escapes attention by falling between areas of established separate committee activities. The chairman of each of these committees shall be responsible for ensuring liaison and coordination with the other committees involved on any and all matters of joint or overlapping concern.

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