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NATIONAL SECURITY ACTION MEMORANDUM NO. 317

TO: The Secretary of State
The Secretary of Defense
The Attorney General
The Director of Central Intelligence

SUBJECT: Audiosurveillance and Countermeasures Problems
Within the Intelligence Community

REFERENCE: Memorandum, September 23, 1964, from the Acting
Director of Central Intelligence

1. Recent discoveries in the U.S. Embassy offices in Moscow and Warsaw have made it even more important than before to assure continued progress in coordination of the intelligence community's activities in the field of audiosurveillance and measures designed to counter hostile audiosurveillance.

2. Experience gained in the past few years prompts the following actions:

a. The Special Committee of the National Security Council on Technical Surveillance Countermeasures is hereby dissolved.

b. The Director of Central Intelligence, with the advice and assistance of the United States Intelligence Board (USIB), will be responsible for coordination of technical surveillance countermeasures conducted by the intelligence community, and research and development activities in the counter-audio field. The DCI, with the concurrence of USIB, is authorized to establish and develop a specific charter for a new USIB committee to achieve interagency coordination in these fields. Subcommittees may be formed as appropriate.

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c. The CIA will establish procedures with the DIA for the Department of Defense and with the FBI, for the coordination of research and development of audiosurveillance equipment and techniques suitable for use in espionage and clandestine counterintelligence.

d. The CIA and DIA will establish a mechanism for consultation on the use of audiosurveillance techniques by the military in non-intelligence investigations overseas, to the degree required to avoid undue risk to sensitive surveillance espionage operations.

3. Within the context of the above actions pertaining to arrangements for coordination, the Director of Central Intelligence in consultation with member agencies of the intelligence community will continue to give priority attention to efforts to meet the objectives of the June 1962 recommendations of the President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board as reflected in the attachment to National Security Action Memorandum 170 of July 6, 1962.

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