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MEMORANDUM FOR THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE

1. In recent correspondence, 30 September 1963, we informed you that a decision had been made to disestablish Ed Lansdale's office. In order that there be no break or delay in the normal process of business between the CIA and the DOD I wish to inform you that nothing in that action was intended in any manner to change or interrupt the normal and continuing channels of correspondence and direct contact between CIA and DIA on matters in the broad field of intelligence, and between CIA and OSACSA on matters of operational planning.

2. Therefore it is requested that correspondence pertaining to cover and support, to include that formerly directed to Lansdale's office, be addressed to the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Attn: Support Activities Division, Joint Secretariat, JCS. X

3. By thus providing the CIA with a single point of entry in the DOD for all such sensitive material I believe that proper security precautions can be provided commensurate with your requirements and those of the DOD, while still giving optimum acceleration to matters of urgency. Distribution of CIA material beyond that point will always be made through controlled channels to other directly related offices. I will be happy to have Lt. General Carroll or Maj. General Krulak discuss this matter with you in greater detail - if you wish.

Russell S. Taylor

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