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SUBJECT: (Optional)

PARAPSYCHOLOGY

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OTS/BAB MEMO #210-75
29 May 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Parapsychology

1. On 21 May 1975, I met with [redacted] of DIA to discuss his Agency's interest in contacting Mr. Patrick Price, psychic. DIA's interest in Mr. Price had been stimulated by a briefing recently given them by [redacted] of OTS, who outlined the several years of CIA's association with SRI's parapsychological research program and Mr. Price's role in it. [redacted] reports to Dr. Jack Vorona, Director of DIA's Office of Scientific and Technical Intelligence, and is chief of their life and behavioral sciences research program.

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2. I outlined briefly for [redacted] the nature of our relationship, or lack thereof, with Mr. Price since BAB moved into the picture. I mentioned that we are still awaiting a secret level clearance on him and discussed some overall concerns about flap potential, suggesting that the press could certainly have a field day with Mr. Price and his association with the intelligence business. I had coordinated the visit to [redacted] with [redacted] liaison with DIA. At his request I noted that our Technical Requirements Board was not supporting Mr. Price nor vouching for his capabilities. At the same time, I stated that there were people in the Agency who felt that his apparent talents were of sufficient interest to maintain some kind of relationship with him. I commented we were doing just that, had invited him to town once during the past several months to participate in a real life operational exercise and planned to do that again on occasion in the future when the right operational situation presented itself. I said that after a half dozen or so of these exercises we should have a better fix on whether or not Mr. Price's talents can contribute anything in an operational sense.

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3. I told [redacted] that our relationship with Mr. Price was informal, that we had no contract with him and that Mr. Price was free to work with DIA or anyone else if he chose to do so. At the same time, I cautioned that Mr. Price seemed to dig us and would probably give us first option on his services. Finally, I told [redacted] that I would prefer him to deal directly with Mr. Price. I offered to broker an

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invitation at some point, but suggested that after that we would prefer not to serve as middle man between DIA and Price.

4. [redacted] had no particular problems with any of the above. He said that Dr. Vorona and the Deputy Director/DIA plan to go to Director/DIA to suggest contact with Price. Depending on D/DIA's reaction, [redacted] may or may not be back in touch with me.

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