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REPLY TO ATTENTION OF

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- 14 JAN 1982

MEMORANDUM THRU VICE

VICE CHIEF OF STAFF

ARMY GENERAL COUNSEL

FOR SECRETARY OF THE ARMY

SUBJECT: GRILL FLAME (U) -- DECISION MEMORANDUM

- 1. (S/NOFORN) The US Army Intelligence and Security Command's (INSCOM) Project GRILL FLAME investigates and applies remote viewing phenomena in support of important foreign intelligence and US counterintelligence requirements. INSCOM employs active duty military and Department of the Army civilians in the execution of the project. Both the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA) and INSCOM purchase the services of private contract personnel in support of GRILL FLAME. During FY 82, INSCOM plans to train two newly assigned personnel in remote viewing techniques and continue to conduct operational sessions against important foreign intelligence and counterintelligence requirements.
- 2. (3/NOFORN) The Army General Counsel determined that GRILL FLAME activities constitute experimentation on human subjects under Procedure 18, DOD Regulation 5240.1-R. Section 4 of Procedure 18 requires approval of the Service Secretary or Under Secretary for intelligence components to engage in or contract for experimentation involving human subjects.
- 3. (S/NOFORN) The US Army INSCOM GRILL FLAME activities satisfy the human use standards of Section 3, Procedure 18. All Army GRILL FLAME participants are volunteers who have executed written statements of informed consent. Representatives from the Army General Counsel and the Office of the Army Surgeon General provide legal and medical oversight. All contracts entered into by INSCOM contain the written commitment that the provisions of Procedure 18, DOD Regulation 5240.1-R will be followed. The DIA contract monitor ensures the contracted party executes their Procedure 18 responsibilities. The Deputy Secretary of Defense authorized DIA participation in GRILL FLAME on 11 Dec 81 (Incl 1).

ARMY review(s) completed.

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4. (C) Congress eliminated Army FY 82 funding for GRILL FLAME. At the same time, Congress approved the Army request for five permanent personnel positions for GRILL FLAME. With the Commander, US Army Intelligence and Security Command, I am exploring the various options for maintaining a GRILL FLAME effort in FY 82. I will, by separate correspondence, keep you informed on the future status of GRILL FLAME FY 82 funding. In the meantime, Army's authority to conduct GRILL FLAME operations under the provisions of Procedure 18, DOD Regulation 5240.1-R past 14 Jan 82 must be renewed.

5. (C) Request the Secretary of the Army approve our continued participation in GRILL FLAME activities within INSCOM and with the DIA and its contractor. Army participation will be in strict accordance with the provisions of Procedure 18, DOD Regulation 5240.1-R.

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