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- 1. (U) PURPOSE: To provide an overview of CENTER LANE.
- 2. (U) RECOMMENDED POSITION: That CENTER LANE operations, training, and development continue within the U.S. Army Intelligence and Security Command.
- 3. (U) POINTS SUPPORTING RECOMMENDED POSITION:

a. (S/CL-3/NOFORN) Since October 1978, when ACSI (then MG Thompson) tasked INSCOM to develop a parapsychology program (then GRILL FLAME), INSCOM has through strictly controlled, thoroughly documented, and carefully monitored training, operations, and development established the feasibility and soundness of the remote viewing phenomenon as an intelligence collection tool. Without continuation, this crucial momentum would be lost.

b. (S/CL-2/NOFORN) Since May 1981, when I assumed command of INSCOM, the project (now CENTER LANE) has provided the U.S. Army and such agencies as DIA, CIA, NSA, FBI, and the Secret Service critical intelligence unavailable from other sources. Without continuation, the Intelligence Community would lose a valuable collection capability which now allows penetration of intelligence targets inaccessible to any conventional system.

c. (S/CL-2/NOFORN) Continuing work in the academic and R&D communities has refined the methodology, demonstrating far greater accuracy, control, and reliability than ever before. Without continuation, CENTER LANE would be kept from realizing its true potential.

d. (S-CL-2/NOFORN) A current collection project is focused on providing information to the CIA in their efforts to locate William F. Buckley who was kidnapped from Beirut on 16 March 1984. An SOI on that project is attached as Inclosure 1. At Inclosure 2 is an MFR from the CIA commenting on the value of CENTER LANE.

4. (U) OTHER VIEWS:

a. (S/CL-2/NOFORN) "The phenomenon is not real." This argument simply does not stand up in the face of many valid scientific replications conducted by reputable institutions such as Princeton University, Maimonidies Medical Center, Bell Laboratories, and McDonnell Douglas Corporation and SRI-International, among others. In addition, a congressionally directed independent scientific review panel concluded in October 1983, "The evidence shown to us is too impressive to dismiss as mere coincidence."

b. (S/CL-2/NOFORN) "The phenomenon is not well understood and therefore has no practical value." The users of intelligence produced by CENTER LANE feel that it does have value.

c. (S/CL-2/NOFORN) "The phenomenon is the work of the devil and should not be exploited." This is an emotional statement that critics and skeptics of the CENTER LANE Project occasionally use because they do not accept an explanation of the phenomenon.

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