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TO: Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence, HQ Department of the Army
Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence, HQ, U.S. Air Force

SUBJECT: GRILL FLAME (U)

Reference: GRILL FLAME meeting on 9 April 1980.

1. (S/NOFORN) At the referenced meeting the DIA proposed a program for investigating the feasibility of applying paranormal phenomena to the solution of intelligence problems. It was emphasized that the program's goals would not involve basic research into the underlying mechanisms. Rather, the focus would be on gaining reliable performance when applying the phenomena against operational targets. As presently structured, the program calls for a three year effort, to begin in FY 81, at about \$450K per year. The per year cost would be equally shared by the participating agencies under a joint Service contract issued by DIA and would contain those requirements deemed necessary by the individual Service. It is believed that such an approach would provide the assurance that the DoD has structured a cohesive, integrated program.

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2. (S/NOFORN) As suggested at the referenced meeting, a committee of participating agencies is now being formed. The charter members (Army, Air Force, and DIA) would subsequently decide who else should participate and in what capacity. The DIA appoints Dr. Jack Vorona as Chairman of the GRILL FLAME Committee and recommends [redacted] be designated as the primary contract monitor.

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3. (U) Any questions and/or comments you have in regard to the program proposal should be addressed to my action officer, [redacted] telephone [redacted] by 2 June 1980. Once established, the first order of business for the Committee would be structuring of a three year research program and a contract proposal designed to meet agreed upon goals.

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