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MEMORANDUM FOR SECRETARIES OF THE MILITARY DEPARTMENTS
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UNDER SECRETARIES OF DEFENSE
ASSISTANT SECRETARIES OF DEFENSE
COMPTROLLER
GENERAL COUNSEL
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DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION AND MANAGEMENT

SUBJECT: Consolidation of Defense HUMINT (U)

I have reviewed the plan submitted by the Assistant Secretary of Defense for Command, Control, Communications, and Intelligence (ASD(C3I)) for the consolidation of Defense Human Intelligence (HUMINT) and the creation of the Defense HUMINT Service. I believe that these actions are essential to the Department's ability to effectively and efficiently conduct HUMINT activities. I hereby approve the Plan for the Consolidation of Defense HUMINT.

The ASD(C3I) shall take the actions necessary to effect the consolidation of Defense HUMINT by Fiscal Year 1997. These actions shall include the creation of a consolidated DoD HUMINT budget within the General Defense Intelligence Program portion of the National Foreign Intelligence Program, the creation of the Defense HUMINT Service with a single joint manning authorization, and, where necessary, the creation within the Tactical Intelligence and Related Activities aggregations of each of the Military Departments of a small, carefully focused HUMINT capability designed to meet specific overt non-sensitive needs which cannot efficiently be met by the DHS. In a separate action, the ASD(C3I) shall prepare a request for the Secretary of Defense to consolidate the responsibility for effective supervision and control of the HUMINT activities of the Department of Defense under me as those activities are operationally consolidated in accordance with the plan.

The Secretaries of the Military Departments shall ensure that all possible assistance is rendered in the transfer of functions, personnel, and resources among components of the Department of Defense, as appropriate to implement this plan.

The Director of Administration and Management shall incorporate the associated new responsibilities of the ASD(C3I) and the Director, DIA during the next review and update of their respective DoD Charter Directives.

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