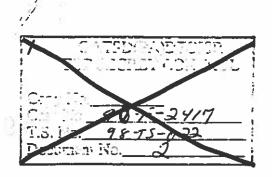
TOP SECRET



1002

In reply refer to: 1-36779/63

13 December 1963

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. GILPATRIC

SUBJECT: JCS Proposal Concerning Communist China

I have gone over General Taylor's paper on this matter and conclude that it has at least a prime-facia case for detailed exploration, which I should think should be under the auspices of the Special Group (5412). I would recommend your sending a copy to John McCone for his initial reaction, and thereafter bringing it up in the Special Group.

As it stands, the paper does not have enough detail to get a real feel of which of the steps, if any, might turn out to be really feasible. This would require a very close melding of intelligence people, scientists, and the operating types. But it certainly does seem worth a try.

William P. Bundy Assistant Secretary of Defense

1 Attach.
Memo for SecDef, JCSM 939-63, 3 Dec 63,
(SecDef Cont Nr. X-7913) w/note to SecDef
frm. Col. Hardin dtd 4 Dec 63

DECLASSIFIED
BY APA
DATE 12/17/97

Distr.
Cy #1DepSecDef
Cy #2 Sec Def
Cy #3 - WPB - chron.

Special handling of this paper is requested. Access should be limited to individuals requiring the information herein in order to carry out their special duties.

330-72A 1499 3 2/84-54 6-5

TOP SEGRET

Copy ______ of _____ Copies
Page _____ of ____ Pages

REPRODUCTION OF THIS DOCUMENT IN WHOLE OR IN PART IS PROHIBITED EXCEPT WITH PERMISSION OF THE ISSUING OFFICE.