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SUBJECT: ARTICHOKE Team Assignment

REFERENCE: ARTICHOKE Memorandum of 26 November 1953.

GENERAL STATEMENT

In accordance with basic ARTICHOKE memorandum dated 26 November 1952 and in accordance with policy approved by all members of the ARTICHOKE Conference, an ARTICHOKE Team is to be assigned to [REDACTED] on or about 1 January 1954.

MISSION

The ARTICHOKE Team hereinafter referred to as the Team will:

- A. Offer operational support to [REDACTED] and all [REDACTED] field Stations in the handling of specific cases using ARTICHOKE methods and techniques.
- B. Conduct research and experimentation along ARTICHOKE lines using available subjects and material, both from an offensive and defensive view point.

TEAM

The Team will consist of [REDACTED] who will be in charge and [REDACTED], technician. In [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED]
In addition, SC Washington will send [REDACTED] for a period of six months (or less) on TDY to work jointly with [REDACTED] on ARTICHOKE problems and research.

RESPONSIBILITIES CONCERNING ARTICHOKE TEAM

The Team will carry out ARTICHOKE operations in accordance with instructions and directions as to techniques and methods as prescribed by Headquarters Washington with full allowances made for problems arising in the Field and with sufficient latitude given to permit a flexible and intelligent operation.

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The Team will for all administrative matters and for operational control be attached to the Office of the Chief of Security, [REDACTED] and will be directly responsibility responsible [REDACTED]. The Team will function only upon consent of [REDACTED] or his representative. Furthermore, no operational work or research will be carried out without exact consent or authorization from the Chief of Mission or his Deputy or otherwise designated responsible officer. No operational work or research will be carried out without exact consent or authorization of the Chief of Station or his Deputy or other designated responsible officer. If work is contemplated outside of [REDACTED] or the [REDACTED] area, it will be the responsibility of the Chief of Security, [REDACTED] to arrange upon the arrival of the Team in [REDACTED] office and operating areas and storage equipment space for Team material.

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and supplies. [REDACTED] will also arrange for Team members to formally brief all Headquarters Offices in the ARTICHOKE work where their duties will require knowledge of or use of the ARTICHOKE techniques. Furthermore, [REDACTED] will himself (or assign a member of his Staff) take the Team members to all stations within the [REDACTED] areas for the purpose of briefing each station chief and certain of his associates on the ARTICHOKE techniques, requirements, etc.

REPORTS

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The Team will permit submit reports (in writing) of all operational support cases handled and of all research and experimentation conducted. Case reports will include in specific detail the techniques, methods, etc. used, chemicals, dosages, results (information obtained), etc. Those reports will be submitted to [REDACTED] and will be forwarded thereafter to Headquarters Washington through proper channels. Special report forms will be furnished the Team to insure uniform reporting, statistics, etc.

NOTE: Basically, the report will consist of two main sections. The first will give a narrative description of the case in full detail with results and the second will be a clinical report stating in specific detail the various items

such as time elements, specific dosages, physical condition, etc.

SUPPLIES AND EQUIPMENT

Team supplies will be of two types: A) technical and B) medical. Technical (electronic, mechanical and photographic) supplies will be obtained at Headquarters Washington and forwarded directly to [REDACTED] through proper channels (air pouch). Specific items of necessary technical equipment will be determined by Team members with the advice and assistance of [REDACTED] of Headquarters Staff. Medical supplies will be obtained in the field locally through [REDACTED] connections. Special medical supplies (including unusual chemicals, etc.) will be obtained through the Medical Office, Headquarters Washington and either hand carried to the field by members, if this can be arranged, or shipped via air pouch.

MEMORANDUM FOR: ARTICHOKE COMMITTEE

It is recommended that the following form and content be accepted and approved as being the Aims and Responsibilities in the ARTICHOKE program.

1. The Director of Security shall be responsible for the ARTICHOKE program.

2. The aims of the ARTICHOKE program are as follows:

a. To perfect techniques utilizing existing drugs, hypnosis, and other elements for the extraction of information from individuals whether willing or not.

b. To explore means through research indoctrination and training for preventing the enemy from gaining control over the activities and mental capacities of Agency personnel.

c. When necessary and consistent with Agency policy and operational security, support CIA operations through the use of ARTICHOKE techniques.

3. The following responsibilities and functions will apply to the ARTICHOKE program:

a. The Director of Security will be responsible for the general direction, administration and execution of the ARTICHOKE aims as defined in 2. a, -b and -c, above.

b. The Director of Security will provide field teams for testing, experimenting and refining techniques utilizing currently known and recommended new materials for the extraction of information from indigenous personnel under field conditions.


G c. The Director of Security will arrange, in coordination with [redacted] and the Medical Staff, for research and experimentation within the facilities of those two components for the development of means for the control of the activities and mental capacities of individuals whether willing or not.

d. The Director of Security will conduct liaison and research in fields and areas not within the immediate capabilities of [redacted] and the Medical Staff for the development of ideas and possible means of exerting control over the activities and mental capacities of individuals.

e. The Director of Security will control the operational use of ARTICHOKE techniques and serve as the support element to all operational components in the use of such techniques.

f. The Director of Security will serve as the coordinating element among all components for the Agency on those matters concerning the operational use of ARTICHOKE techniques.

G g. The Director of Security will arrange for the exchange of information concerning ARTICHOKE techniques and research and development among those elements primarily concerned as OSI, [redacted] Medical Division, [redacted] and Security Office. [redacted]


h. The Director of Security will conduct authorized liaison with other components of government in the ARTICHOKE field and arrange for liaison responsibility through the Agency component having the most pertinent interest in new projects or activities in other departments having bearing on the overall ARTICHOKE project.

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MEMORANDUM TO: ARTICHOKE Representatives
FROM : Director of Security
SUBJECT : ARTICHOKE; Restatement of Program

1. Reference is made to memorandum dated 26 November 1952 addressed to AD/OSI; Chief, Medical Staff; and Chief, [REDACTED] from Security Officer, CIA, subject "Project ARTICHOKE."

2. In accordance with discussions at the July and August ARTICHOKE meetings, it is felt that a restatement of the aims of ARTICHOKE is essential at this time, together with a re-definition of the functions of the ARTICHOKE participants. Also included in this restatement will be certain additions to principles stated in above-mentioned memorandum that have been agreed on in meetings of ARTICHOKE representatives during the past several months:

3. Aims:

- a. Perfect techniques utilizing existing drugs, hypnosis and other elements for the extraction of information from individuals whether willing or not.
- b. Provide [REDACTED] field teams for testing, experimenting and refining techniques utilizing currently known and recommended new materials for the extraction of information from indigenous personnel under field conditions.
- c. In coordination with [REDACTED] and the Medical Staff arrange for research and experimentation within the facilities of these two components for the development of means for the control of the activities and mental capacities of individuals whether willing or not.

- d. Conduct liaison and initial research in fields and areas not within the immediate capabilities of [REDACTED] and the Medical Staff [REDACTED] for the development of ideas and possible means of exerting control over the activities and mental capacities of individuals.
- e. Control the operational use of ARTICHOKE techniques and serve as the support element to the operational components in the use of such techniques.
- f. Explore means through indoctrination and training of preventing the enemy from gaining control over the activities and mental capacities of Agency personnel.
- g. Serve as the coordinating element among all components for the Agency on those matters concerning the operational use of ARTICHOKE techniques.
- h. Arrange for the exchange of information concerning ARTICHOKE techniques and research and development among those elements primarily concerned, as OSI, [REDACTED] Medical Division, [REDACTED] and Security Office.
- i. Conduct authorized liaison with other components of government in the ARTICHOKE field, and arrange for liaison responsibility through the Agency component having the most pertinent interest in new projects or activities in other departments having bearing on the overall ARTICHOKE project.

4. Functions:

- a. The Chief, Medical Staff, should be responsible for medical research in support of this project which shall consist of research of a [REDACTED]
- [REDACTED]

basic and operational nature determined by Chief, Medical Staff, as appropriate and necessary within the scope of his facilities in support of this project. In addition, Chief, Medical Staff, will conduct research and furnish operational support in response to requests by the Security Office and within the limits of facilities available to the Medical Staff. Requests by the Security Office will consist of specific elements of research, materials and personnel in support of operational use of Project ARTICHOKE. The Chief, Medical Staff, will provide medical support for ARTICHOKE field teams.

G b. [REDACTED] will conduct, within limitations of their facilities, research in the basic fields of science in support of this project. In addition, [REDACTED] will conduct, within limitations of their facilities, specific research, other than medical, requested by the Security Office in support of operational aspects of Project ARTICHOKE.

G c. Liaison with the [REDACTED] in support of this Project will be the responsibility of [REDACTED] under an arrangement already effected by [REDACTED]

d. Responsibility for evaluation of foreign intelligence aspects of Project ARTICHOKE will remain with OSI.

e. Security Office will conduct liaison with the Service components concerned in this problem and in relation to operational aspects of Project ARTICHOKE.

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