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SUBJECT: Assignment of Additional Duties to the Office of the Director of National Intelligence Director, Information Management Division

REFERENCES:
A. Principles of Intelligence Transparency for the Intelligence Community
B. Memorandum of Understanding between the Director of National Intelligence and the Director of the Central Intelligence Agency Regarding the Transition of the Intelligence Community Lessons Learned and IC Historians Functions to the CIA Center for the Study of Intelligence, 4 October 2011
C. Intelligence Community Directive 108, *Intelligence Community History Programs*

In the Principles of Intelligence Transparency for the Intelligence Community (IC) (Reference A), we committed to "taking affirmative steps… to provide timely transparency on matters of public interest." Taking affirmative steps with regard to topics of historical interest will help facilitate timely determinations of whether declassification would be appropriate in the interest of enhancing public understanding of intelligence activities, while continuing to protect information when disclosure would harm national security.

To this end, the Director of the Information Management Division (D/IMD) within the Office of the Director of National Intelligence (ODNI) shall convene the IC Senior Historians Panel to develop recommendations for topics of historical interest, for which the declassification and release, if deemed appropriate, would help the public better understand the work of the IC and contribute to a public dialogue surrounding significant historical intelligence events.

The D/IMD shall provide these recommendations to the DNI on a semi-annual basis. If the DNI determines a declassification review of a specific topic is appropriate, D/IMD will coordinate the declassification review with the departments and agencies whose equities are affected.

The IC Senior Historians Panel shall, when possible, collaborate with other public historians or private subject-matter experts to solicit input for such topics. This will ensure that when intelligence activities are declassified and released to the public, they are put in their appropriate historical context and made available in an easily accessible medium. The D/IMD will assist in coordinating such engagements, when appropriate.

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The CIA's Center for the Study of Intelligence will continue to study ODNI's brief history, as well as lead our IC Lessons Learned series, in accordance with the October 2011 Memorandum of Understanding between CIA and ODNI (Reference B).

It is vital that the Community support the IC Senior Historians Panel in its work in this area, as well as in its traditional functions as established in Reference C.

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