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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Medical Services

FROM: John F. Blake
Deputy Director for Administration

SUBJECT: Records About Drug Experimentation

REFERENCE: Multiple adse from DDA, dtd 16 Aug 78
Subject: MKULTRA - Program to Identify
Subjects of Agency-Sponsored Drug Testing
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1. The Agency is committed to identify, find and notify persons who may still suffer adverse effects from drugs that were administered to them without their knowledge as part of Agency sponsored drug testing programs. People who have been involved in searches pertaining to known projects (MKULTRA/MKSEARCH, BLUEBIRD/ARTICHOKE, and OFTEN/CHICKWIT) are confident that all records relating to those projects have been found. Nevertheless, a nagging uncertainty lingers in some quarters that there may yet be some unidentified project buried somewhere in the archives that no one knows anything about. To begin with, we need to be as certain as it is possible to be that all records pertaining in anyway to any drug testing program sponsored by the Agency have been surfaced.

2. During the past year or so, for one reason or another, components of the Agency have conducted exhaustive searches through all of their records, in their offices as well as at the Agency Archives and Records Center. In order to avoid repeating research that has already been done, we need to know what has been done and how confident we can be that all records pertaining to drug activity have been found. Accordingly, you are requested to submit to the Deputy Director for Administration by 18 October 1978 a report describing the records search as it has been, or is being, conducted in your office. We are particularly interested, of course, in the attention given to drug related activities and the degree of certainty you feel that if there were any records pertaining to such activities they would have been found. It is requested specifically that you include in your report a statement of the degree of

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confidence you feel that no records pertaining to drug activities remain undisclosed. If you feel further search is required to give comfortable assurance, your estimate of the volume of records that will have to be reviewed and the man-hours that will be needed to complete such a search should be included in your report.

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