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MEMORANDUM FOR: Laura Denk
Executive Director, ARRB

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SUBJECT: CIA-IR-18, Request for Information on a Particular DO Office

1. (U) This is in response to referent request.

2. (S) This request involved the so-called **defector**. The DO has advised that only a classified response is possible with respect to this staff and advised as follows:

   A. That staff is listed in Clandestine Services Notice 5-50, revised October 1959 and 1963 and carried the symbol DDP/CDC (CIA Defector Coordinator). Only Soviet cases were handled by the staff.

   B. The **defector and contract personnel branch** was designated SR/OS/D. This branch handled only Soviet Bloc defector cases (countries of the former Warsaw Pact).

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3. (U) The Agency believes that the above is fully responsive to subject request and in thus closing its action on it. If you have any questions, please advise.

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