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TO : Chief, Security Research Staff
FROM : Chief, Technical Branch
SUBJECT: Interview with Cleared Contacts.

DATE: 2 February 1954

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1. On Wednesday, 27 January 1954, between 9:30 and 10:30 AM, [redacted] and the writer talked with [redacted] and [redacted] in connection with ARTICHOKE work. Set out below is a very brief summary of the discussion and results thereof: A

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2. [redacted] and [redacted] Both men were strongly recommended to the ARTICHOKE program by [redacted]

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3. [redacted] who had been previously contacted by [redacted] and the writer, introduced [redacted] and requested that the writer again explain, in general terms, the problems of the ARTICHOKE program. After this had been done, [redacted] and [redacted] both agreed that such a study should have been made along time ago and they would co-operate fully in an effort to discover chemicals or drugs of use to ARTICHOKE-type work. [redacted] who had previously given [redacted] technical leads, again brought up the subject of lysergic acid and promised that he and [redacted] would examine this matter with particular reference to the [redacted] interest in certain medicines which were closely related to ergot and ergot derivatives. [redacted] stated that actually the [redacted] does not get by-products but quite often they received information regarding new discoveries and changes in formulas which would undoubtedly be of interest to us. He stated that he would re-examine his contacts with the various chemical and drug houses in the United States and would give us the benefit of his thoughts in this matter in the near future.

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4. [redacted] stated he and [redacted] would attempt to find out the chemical houses that are doing advanced work in psycho-chemistry and attempt to find out the names of the best researchers in this field. This information, they promised, would be given to us as soon as possible.

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5. [redacted] stated he had talked with [redacted] and [redacted] had again displayed unusual enthusiasm in this connection and stated he hoped his Staff would produce results of interest along ARTICHOKE lines.

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[redacted] as well as [redacted] and [redacted] suggested
that [redacted] be approached since his Staff had done a con-
siderable amount of work along these lines and had good labs and
exceptionally good library facilities particularly in connection
with narcotic drugs. [redacted] is in the process of being
cleared and will be contacted as soon as official clearance has
been received by this Branch.)

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