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[REDACTED]

Reference is made to our recent conversations concerning matters of special interest to yourself and this agency.

I am transmitting herewith two (2) memorandums which are self-explanatory.

It would be appreciated if you would forward these memorandums to the special project for their consideration and action.

Will you kindly arrange that any material or information made available by the special project be forwarded to me at my office at your earliest possible convenience.

As previously discussed, the interest of this agency in these matters should not be disclosed.

Very truly yours,

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B Proposed subject of study for [REDACTED] or [REDACTED] research.

Basic - How can sodium or P or any other sleep inducing agent be best concealed in a normal or common place item?

Premise - Thirst can be induced by keeping Subject from water or giving them salty foods.

Coffee, brandy, liquor, tea are common requests if a person is chilled or cold.

Cigarettes, cigars are almost universally used.

Items suggested for tests using any known sleep inducing agents. The effect should be about that of 5cc of sodium amytal on average adult taken orally. In general, the more rapid the induction of sleep the better for operational purposes but a delayed action (if time could be standardized) might also be of value.

1. Water
2. Liquors (include whiskey, brandy, vodka, schnapps, gin, etc.)
3. Wine
4. Beer
5. Coffee
6. Tea
7. Coca Cola
8. Milk - cocoa (possibly cheese)
9. Ice cream
10. Candy (all kinds - domestic, foreign)
11. Gum
12. Aspirin tablets
13. Common medicines (APC tablets, cough syrup, parales, milk of magnesia, etc.)
14. Tooth paste
15. Foods - in general

1. In connection with the above a parallel study should be made of methods techniques, (drugs, chemicals, etc.) that could be used to combat and counteract these sleep inducing agents.

- A. In advance
- B. At the same time
- C. Cover long periods of time (possibly by building up internal resistance).

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DESOSYN

Desoxyn - A proprietary brand of d-desoxyephedrine hydrochloride.

Desoxyephedrine - This drug is employed in the form of d-desoxyephedrine hydrochloride to decrease the sense of fatigue, counteract sleepiness, and produce elevation of mood.

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This drug was employed in the second test on the second case in the Artichoke operation in [REDACTED] in June 1952. The drug was administered by [REDACTED] working with [REDACTED], and was injected into the Gilson apparatus by inserting a needle into the rubber tube top which was in turn inserted by a needle into a vein in the arm of the subject. The drug was used after heavy dosages of sodium pentothal had placed the subject in a drowsy, "twilight condition" and after a number of minutes of interrogation under this condition had been carried out. [REDACTED] suggested the use of the drug at this time to produce a more uninhibited state and to make the subject more talkative and more relaxed. The drug (in combination with sodium pentothal) as noted above had a dramatic effect in that it made the subject very talkative, expansive, and produced a very remarkable regression which carried the subject back over a period of 15 years and made the subject believe that the interpreter [REDACTED] was an old and trusted associate.

The sodium pentothal coupled with the Desoxyn worked for a period of two hours with excellent results and although heavy dosages of sodium pentothal were used initially, very small amounts only of the Desoxyn were used.

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In connection with the above, exact amounts of pentothal, Desoxyn, etc. are to be found in the medical reports to be submitted by [REDACTED]

On the basis of the results in this case, it is felt that Desoxyn and other drugs which are closely related to this compound should be considered for future exploration both in research and actual case work in the future.