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MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE:

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SUBJECT: ARTICHOKe.

On 29 September 1952 there was a meeting to discuss the working aspects of ARTICHOKe. Those present were ~~_____~~ and ~~_____~~. The following points were agreed upon as a working procedure in order that the ARTICHOKe program may be developed to its fullest and that all areas concerned can actively engage in ARTICHOKe development.

It was agreed that IASO will act as the office responsible for the development of the ARTICHOKe program and will assign and coordinate with OTS and the Medical Office in the development of research programs. The Medical Staff will be responsible for medical research and direct operational research in support of team operational problems. OTS, on the other hand, will be responsible for basic research in the general fields supporting ARTICHOKe. IASO will act as coordinator and be fully responsible for the actual use of ARTICHOKe techniques.

~~Dr. _____~~ plans to set up an office ~~_____~~ and will engage in basic research programs in support of ARTICHOKe. He will attempt to divorce himself as much as possible from direct connection with CIA. At the same time, he will continue his parallel work with the Office of the Surgeon General, the National Research Council, Consultant to RDP, all of which will permit him to maintain cover and explore fields of interest for ARTICHOKe without direct reference to CIA.

The following items of action are to be taken in support of the ARTICHOKE program:

1. Representatives of OO and CSI are to be called to a meeting to brief them on Dr. [REDACTED] activities [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] OO and CSI will be assured that [REDACTED] is not engaged in collection of intelligence and in no way will invade their fields of responsibility.

2. Monthly meetings will be called by IASO for discussion of ARTICHOKE problems. The Medical Office and OTS [REDACTED] will attend each meeting.

3. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] In accordance with this arrangement, OTS will be responsible for coordination with the RDB panel.

4. OTS will refer all requests for the use of ARTICHOKE materials by the operational or area offices to IASO for coordination and approval of such use. It is the basic policy that use of ARTICHOKE materials by non-professional case officers will be discouraged or prohibited.

5. OO is to obtain a Secrecy Agreement from [REDACTED] on CIA interests in ARTICHOKE fields. Purpose to discourage [REDACTED] from making reference to CIA interest in this general field but not in such a manner as to hamper his work in the field of anesthesia and its ramifications as a professional field.

6. I&SO to arrange through its monthly meetings for the coordination of the research programs by the Medical Office and OTS and at the same time arrange for consultation between the Medical representative and ~~the OTS~~ so as to prevent those two areas working at cross purposes.

The following items were not discussed at the meetings but are requirements which shall immediately be put into effect. The field is very much interested in the current and active use of ARTICHOKE techniques. At the present time ARTICHOKE techniques are currently being used by Medical officers stationed in ~~the field~~. Until such time as team techniques have been fully developed, the use of these techniques should be employed only by ARTICHOKE personnel. It is a policy that I&SO will recruit and develop ~~teams~~ and train teams to be sent to ~~the field~~ to handle all cases of an ARTICHOKE nature. To this end I&SO must accomplish the following:

1. Draw up a budget for the recruitment, training and dispatch to the field of two additional ARTICHOKE teams.
2. I&SO, by a memorandum, should define the interests of the three units (I&SO, Medical Office and OTS) in this program.
3. I&SO must place immediately with the Medical Office those specific items of operational research and material required by operational teams for further testing.
4. In view of the importance of this program and the basic lack of action that has taken place to date, it is incumbent upon I&SO to see that this program is actively pursued and this field of activity developed to the fullest within the limits of our facilities.