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MEMORANDUM FOR: C/DDS&T/ORD/BSD

SUBJECT : Animal Delivery Systems

1. The bird delivery project which was initiated and developed by ORD/BSD and brought to the operationally suitable stage by TSD is to be terminated at the end of the current contract, 31 July 1972.

2. This unique package delivery and emplacement system was used in one audio operation in the past. While the emplacement of the audio transmitter was a complete success, the intelligibility of the audio was not acceptable because of ambient noise levels. Since that time, the system was seriously evaluated for use on several other targets but in each case the possibility of obtaining an acceptable quality of audio was considered to be too low to be of value.

3. This project has been reviewed with the area divisions and TSD operations branches. No projected targets can be found which would utilize the concept. The lack of targets coupled with the cost of maintaining the carriers for an additional year has led to the decision to terminate the project. Should a target become available where only such a carrier would solve the delivery problem, it is hoped that the project can be reactivated within a reasonable period of time.

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