1. OPENING: THE PURPOSE OF THIS BRIEFING IS TO INFORM YOU of Army's role in a sensitive, close-hold DOD project to EXAMINE POTENTIAL MILITARY APPLICATIONS OF PSYCHOENERGETICS, A TERM THAT COVERS A NUMBER OF UNEXPLAINED PHENOMENA. FOR NOW, ARMY IS PRIMARILY INTERESTED IN DETERMINING THE REALITY AND EXISTENCE OF THE PHENOMENA. ARMY'S EFFORT IS A SMALL, DISCREET MINIMALLY FUNDED PROGRAM CENTERING ON REPLICATING. IN-HOUSE CLAIMED EXPERIMENTAL SUCCESSES. BY USING PEOPLE AND ORGANIZATIONS IN THE ARMY, CAREFULLY CONTROLLED, SCIENTIFIC TESTS WILL LEND CREDIBILITY TO THE WORK BEING DONE. AS IT IS, SUFFICIENT ANECDOTAL EVIDENCE EXISTS, REPORTED BY CREDIBLE RESPICTES PEOPLE IN AND OUT OF DOD, THAT WARRANTS AT LEAST CLOSE SCRUTINY OF THE SITUATION. THREE SUBAREAS OF PSYCHOENERGETICS ARE THE MOST INTERESTING: REMOTE VIEWING, REMOTE PERTURBATION AND REMOTE COMMUNICATIONS. WITH REMOTE VIEWING, AN INDIVIDUAL SOMEHOW PERCEIVES IN HIS MIND'S EYE THINGS, PLACES OR EVENTS DISTANT FROM HIM. WITH REMOTE PERTURBATION, ALSO CALLED PSYCHOKINESIS, AN INDIVIDUAL IS ABLE TO CAUSE AN EFFECT ON SOME PHYSICAL OBJECT DISTANT FROM HIM; AGAIN, BY SOME UNKNOWN PROCESS. FINALLY, REMOTE COMMUNICATIONS, OR TELEPATHY IS SELF DESCRIPTIVE.

ALSO SPURRING THE EFFORT ON IS THE SURE KNOWLEDGE THAT

FOR YEARS THE SOVIET UNION HAS HAD AN INTENSE EFFORT, BELIEVED

TO BE CONTROLLED BY THE KGB AND MILITARY, TO DEVELOP

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CAPABILITIES IN THE FIELD OF PSYCHOENERGETICS. THIS POSSIBLE
THREAT TO US SECURITY MEANS THAT PRIME CONSIDERATION WILL
BE GIVEN AT ALL TIMES TO POSSIBLE FRIENDLY COUNTERMEASURES.

### 2. BACKGROUND:

- A. Most of the recent bel'ievable work has been done by two laser physicists at SRI International, Menlo Park.

  They are Dr. Hal Puthof and Mr. Russ Targ. If the experiments conducted at SRI can be validated, they must be considered astounding. Primarily, SRI has concentrated on Remote Viewing,
- B. BETWEEN 1972 AND 1975, THE CIA WAS INTERESTED IN OPERATIONAL APPLICATIONS OF REMOTE VIEWING. TESTS WERE DONE WITH SRI, AS WELL AS WITH IN-HOUSE CIA ENGINEERS. TWO EXAMPLES WELL DEMONSTRATE THE QUALITY AND INTERESTING CHARACTER OF THE WORK:

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THE SUBJECT ACTUALLY ENTERED THE PLACE, CALLING OUT NAMES OF PEOPLE WHO WERE WORKING THERE. ADDITIONALLY, HE "READ" A NUMBER OF CLASSIFIED CODEWORDS ON FILE FOLDERS, SOME LOCKED INSIDE SECURITY CONTAINERS. THE CIA LATER CONFIRMED WITH NSA THE ACCURACY OF MUCH OF THE SUBJECT'S INFORMATION. NOTE THAT THE SUBJECT WAS DOING THIS WHILE LOCATED IN CALIFORNIA, SEVERAL THOUSAND MILES FROM THE TARGET.

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- D. REGARDING REMOTE PERTURBATION, OF NOTE IS A 1972

  TEST AT SRI, IN WHICH A PROVEN SUBJECT WAS ASKED TO REMOTELY

  DESCRIBE A MAGNETOMETER SOME DISTANCE AWAY IN A STANFORD

  UNIVERSITY LABORATORY. THE MAGNETOMETER, A VERY SENSITIVE

  MEASURING DEVICE, WAS COMPLETELY SHIELDED FROM KNOWN OUTSIDE

  SIGNALS BY A YARD OF CONCRETE. AS THE SESSION TOOK PLACE,

  SCIENTISTS OBSERVING RECORDING INSTRUMENTS ATTACHED TO

  THE MAGNETOMETER WERE ASTOUNDED WHEN TOTALLY ABNORMAL READINGS

  OCCURRED, LASTING MINUTES AT A TIME. THESE ABERRANT SIGNAL

  VARIATIONS HAD NEVER BEFORE BEEN SEEN OR RECORDED, NOR HAVE

  THEY HAPPENED SINCE.
- SPONSORED A DEMONSTRATION OF REMOTE VIEWING, IN WHICH FOUR TARGETS WERE TO BE SEQUENTIALLY OBSERVED BY ANTHONY SRI SUBJECT. DATA FROM THREE OF THE TESTS WAS OF LOW CORRELATION TO ACTUAL TARGETS. ONE, HOWEVER, WAS IMPRESSIVE. THE SUBJECT DESCRIBED A STRATEGIC MISSILE COMPLEX EAST OF MOSCOW, TO THE POINT OF PASSINE INTO A SILO. BOTH THE COMMAND AND CONTROL ROOM, AND LINKING TUNNEL WERE PORTRAYED BY THE SUBJECT.

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#### 3. DISCUSSION:

- EVIDENCE, IT WAS DECIDED THAT THE PHENOMENA COULD NOT SIMPLY BE IGNORED. ARMY CHOSE TO PROCEED WITH A SMALL PROGRAM THE SRI WORK.

  THE IDEA HAS TO ATTEMPT VALIDATION OF THE CLAIMED SUCCESSFUL EXPERIMENTS, AND TO VERIFY TO SOME REASONABLE DEGREE THE EXISTENCE OF A PHENOMENA.
- B. Work to be accomplished strictly within the framework of the emerging DOD GRILL FLAME program, and was a strictly divided between three Army organizations:
- (1) THE ARMY MATERIEL SYSTEMS ANALYSIS ACTIVITY, OR AMSAA FOR SHORT, WAS GIVEN THE MISSION OF ACTING AS THE REMOTE VIEWING "FREE LANCE." THAT IS, AMSAA WOULD TRY OUT NEW REMOTE VIEWING TECHNIQUES.
- (2) The Missile Research and Development Command, MIRADCOM for short, has been the lead for a small pilot program to test for the existence of the Remote Perturbation phenomena. Working with SRI, MIRADCOM will utilize a small on-hand miniprocessor to determine if an individual can in fact affect randomness. From a science, engineering standpoint

THIS APPROACH IS BELIEVED TO BE GOOD SINCE THE RESULTS WILL BE BOTH QUANTIFIABLE AND MEASUREABLE.

- (3) THE ARMY INTELLIGENCE AND SECURITY COMMAND, INSCOM, HAS THE MISSION OF REMOTE VIEWING <u>APPLICATIONS</u>. WORKING WITH A SELECT CADRE OF REMOTE VIEWERS, INSCOM WILL ATTEMPT TO VERIFY BY APPLICATION, WHAT IS LEARNED FROM OTHER AGENCIES' MORE-OR-LESS RESEARCH EFFORTS.
- (4) RECOGNIZING THAT THE EFFORT TO DATE HAS NOT BEEN SCIENTIFICALLY VALIDATED, ARMY FEELS COMPELLED TO INSURE THAT ALL REASONABLE STEPS ARE TAKEN TO MAKE ITS PROJECT AS CREDIBLE AS POSSIBLE. FIRST, ALL WORK WILL BE DONE WITHIN THE STRICT LIMITS SET BY WRITTEN PROTOCOLS THAT HAVE BEEN REVIEWED AND APPROVED BY THE SURGEON GENERAL'S AD HOC GRILL FLAME PANEL. THIS PANEL HAS BEEN ESTABLISHED IN COMPLETE ACCORD WITH FEDERAL LAW AND ARMY REGULATIONS GOVERNING HUMAN USE TESTING. LEGAL ASPECTS OF THE PROJECT HAVE BEEN REVIEWED BY THE ARMY AND DOD GENERAL COUNSELS. Neither posed any objection to the work AND PROVIDED GUIDANCE PERTAINING TO THE AFOREMENTIONED SURGEON GENERAL'S PANEL, FINALLY, A SMALL TEAM OF THE MOST COMPETENT SCIENTISTS, ENGINEERS AND MEDICAL SPECIALISTS POSSIBLE HAS BEEN FORMED INTO A SMALL TEAM THAT WILL REVIEW, ON-THE-SPOT, WORK BEING DONE. THE TEAM WILL ALSO INSURE THAT EACH AGENCY IS FOLLOWING ITS WRITTEN, APPROVED PROTOCOL. THE TEAM CHIEF WILL PROVIDE COLLECTIVE OPINIONS ON THE SCIENTIFIC MERIT AND VALIDITY OF THE WORK,

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4. OTHER AGENCIES: For the past two years the US Air Force, Foreign Technology Division, Wright Patterson Air Force Base, has supported SRI's work, mainly attempting to replicate known or claimed Soviet experiments. Navy was involved for several years, but is believed to have dropped out around 1975. CIA had a small, but significant program from 1972 to 1975, but according to several of their personnel gave up the effort out of fear of adverse publicity. THE ACENCY MAY be

OUT OF FEAR OF ADVERSE PUBLICITY. THE ACENCY MAY DE RE-ENTERING THE ARENA IN THE WAR FUTURE.

5. A IN AUGUST 1977, MIRADCOM LET A SMALL EIGHTY-THOUSAND DOLLAR

CONTRACT WITH SRI TO SEE IF ANY OF THE SOVIET CLAIMS OF MANMACHINE INTERFACE COULD BE VERIFIED OR DUPLICATED. MIRADCOM

NOW HAS FOUR-HUNDRED THOUSAND DOLLARS AVAILABLE FOR THIS FISCAL

YEAR, BUT WILL PROBABLY ONLY SPEND SEVENTY-FIVE TO ONE HUNDRED

THOUSAND ON ITS INITIAL REMOTE PERTUBATION PROGRAM. INSCOM

HAS A SEVENTY-FIVE THOUSAND DOLLAR CONTRACT WITH SRI TO TRAIN

A LIMITED NUMBER OF INSCOM

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CONDUCT A REASONABLE PROGRESS REVIEW. AMSAA HAS FUNDED A

TOTAL OF TWO-HUNDRED AND THIRTY THOUSAND DOLLARS THIS FISCAL

YEAR TO CARRY OUT TACTICALLY-ORIENTED SRI EXPERIMENTS. TOTAL

NUMBER OF FULL TIME ARMY PERSONNEL INVOLVED ACROSS THE BOARD

1S FOUR; PART TIME APPROXIMATELY FIFTEEN.

6. Nothing factual is known of the phenomena's process though some subjective comments can be made: Distance has no effect

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ON IT; THERE IS NO KNOWN SHIELDING OR COUNTERMEASURE; MANY PEOPLE HAVE THE ABILITY NOT JUST A FEW AS WAS PREVIOUSLY THE ONLY THING THAT CAN BE EVEN SUBJECTIVELY SAID ABOUT THE PERSON DOING "IT" IS THAT HE IS ABOVE AVERAGE INTELLIGENCE.

IN CONCLUSION, THERE IS SUFFICIENT JUSTIFICATION TO PURSUE THE MATTER, AT LEAST TO THE POINT OF TRYING TO CONFIRM OR DENY THE PHENOMENA'S EXISTENCE. GIVEN THE AMOUNT OF ANECDOTAL EVIDENCE AVAILABLE TO US WE WOULD BE FOOLHARDY TO IGNORE EVEN THE REMOTEST POSSIBILITY OF AN ENEMY THREAT TO OUR SECURITY. IF DURING THE EVALUATION PROCESS THE ARMY ALSO ACQUIRES A NEW TECHNIQUE OF INFORMATION ACQUISITION, SO MUCH THE BETTER.

# > 7. OUTSIDE INTERET SUPPORT:

A. ALMY'S WORK IS fully Supported And ENCOURAGED by Congressman Charles Kose (NC). He, And MOST OF THE OTHER MEMbers OF THE HOOSE DEPHANENT Schot Committee on Intelligence, have been briefel by SKI and DIA ON WORK in progress.

B. NSC has tracen on interest in The Matter And ARE THOUGHT to be positive on the Subject. Two OF THE MORE INVOIVED NISC MONIBERS HAVE PrepARED an A comprehensive briefing of Their durn.