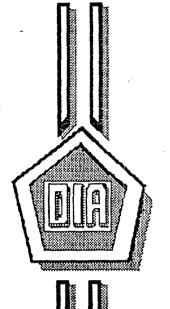
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PROJECT OVERSIGHT PANEL

I. (U) PURPOSE:

(U) The purpose of this report is to document results of the first meeting of the Project Oversight Panel and to identify its basic role for the Defense Intelligence Agency (DIA).

II. (U) BACKGROUND:

(S/NF) A STAR GATE Project Oversight Panel has been established in order to review the overall approach used by the DIA Assistant Deputy Directorate for Scientific and Technical Intelligence regarding evaluation and assessment of STAR GATE data. Oversight Panel members represent a diversity of scientific and management backgrounds and were drawn from DIA's Advisory Board, from the DIA General Council (GC), and from the DIA Inspector General (IG) office. These individuals are as follows:

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III. (U) <u>DISCUSSION</u>:

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(U) The first Oversight Panel meeting was held on 9 April

1991 in the DIAC. with all members present. Others present were

and representatives from

DT-3, DT-5 and DT-S. The meeting attendees are shown at enclosure 1.

(S/NF) At this first meeting, provided welcome and introductory remarks, discussed overall meeting objectives, summarized project background, and reviewed the charters for the Oversight Panel (enclosure 2) and the STAR GATE activity (enclosure 3). The primary function of the Oversight Panel is to provide the Assistant Deputy Director for Scientific and Technical Intelligence advice/council on STAR GATE project

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activities management and procedures, and to provide guidance on the evaluation and assessment for the data generated by project STAR GATE.

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- (U) (DT-S) then presented additional details on project evolution and recent activity. The Panel had numerous detailed questions and pursued many avenues of discussion that helped provide additional insight. Not all questions could be addressed in the depth desired due to time constraints. Consequently, the Panel could not draw firm conclusions on all of the program aspects as identified in the Panel Charter. The Panel members felt that additional briefings/discussions would be required to permit an in-depth review of project evolution, previous research support, current directions, and research activities. The panel also expressed interest in reviewing future research objectives and long range plans.
- (U) Even though not all objectives of this first meeting were met, the Panel was pleased with the frankness/candor in which all questions were addressed. For some Panel members, this was their first exposure to this topic; the background and tutorial aspects of the replies were greatly appreciated.
- (U) The Panel agreed to hold the next meeting on 30 May 1991 at the DIAC in order to continue their in-depth review that would focus on previous work and future goals/directions. It was also recommended that Dr. Ed May, the principle researcher in this area, be invited to present details of the research history and upcoming research activity.
- (U) Minute preparation was then initiated and the meeting was adjourned on schedule.
- 3 Enclosures
- 1. Attendance List (S) 1 Cy
- 2. Oversight Panel Charter (S/NF) 1 cy
- 3. DT-S Charter (S/NF) 1 Cy

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OVERSIGHT PANEL CHARTER

THE PRIMARY FUNCTION OF THE OVERSIGHT PANEL IS TO PROVIDE THE ASSISTANT
DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL INTELLIGENCE ADVICE/COUNCIL
ON STAR GATE PROJECT ACTIVITIES, MANAGEMENT, AND PROCEDURES, AND TO PROVIDE
GUIDANCE ON THE EVALUATION AND ASSESSMENT PROCESS FOR THE DATA GENERATED
BY PROJECT STAR GATE. THE OVERSIGHT PANEL WILL MEET PERIODICALLY TO RECEIVE
UPDATE BRIEFINGS AND TO REVIEW RELEVANT PROJECT DOCUMENTATION.

DT-S CHARTER

1. EXTERNAL RESEARCH

- EXTERNAL SUPPORT
- PARTICIPATE IN PROJECTS
- DEVELOP APPROPRIATE ASSESSMENT/EVALUATION PROCEDURES
- DEVELOP LONG RANGE COMPREHENSIVE PLAN

2. FOREIGN ASSESSMENT

- IDENTIFY COLLECTION REQUIREMENTS
- IMPLEMENT PLANS
- DEVELOP WORLDWIDE INTEGRATED DATA BASE
- PREPARE FOREIGN ASSESSMENTS

3. IN-HOUSE INVESTIGATIONS

- SUPPORT RESEARCH; OBTAIN APPROPRIATE EQUIPMENT
- DEVELOP PROCEDURES
- PURSUE POTENTIAL APPLICATIONS (NOT TO THE DETRIMENT OF 1. & 2.)