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Attached protocol was unanimously approved by Surgeon General's GRILL FLAME Human Use Review Panel on 26 Mar. The Panel felt that the protocol addresses "technology transfer" as much as anything, and that no Human Use/Risk issues are involved. Therefore, HEW and AR 70-25 guidelines do not apply. Concomitant approval was given to the slightly varied AMSAA-INSCOM version. Minutes of the meeting will be provided to you by LTG Pixley's office.

Expect that the Panel may offer three program improvements: (a) increase objective scientific monitoring of in/out house effort, (b) require a "collaborating" behavioural scientist be actively involved and, (c) require an internal (e.g., AMSAA) Human Use Review Panel.

The Panel also concerned itself with several issues outside the scope of Human Use/Risk: Are we doing all we should regarding ethical operational approaches? Is everyone aware of inherient pitfalls like media michief potential, Proxmire awards, etc? (Note: I will get a TWIX out reminding people of the obligation to use any new-found ability in legal, ethical, circumspect ways.)

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