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Office Memorandum • UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

TO : Chief, Inspection & Security Section

DATE: 4 November 1950

FROM : Chief, Staff D/OSO

SUBJECT: BLUEBIRD Project

1. In connection with the above project and related matters, a few selected officers of OSO experimented during 1946 and early 1947 with a substance (drug) known under the cryptonym "SUGAR". This material was used with some success by at least one responsible officer of this office ~~_____~~, being orally administered in alcohol and also by insertion in crystal form into a cigarette.

2. Unfortunately, the files of OSO fail to reflect full details concerning the nature, characteristics, use and effectiveness of this substance. It is known, however, that the substance was originally furnished to OSS or SSU by the Alcoholic Tax Unit and the Narcotics Bureau of the Treasury Department. ~~_____~~, formerly with OSS and now believed to be stationed with the Narcotics Bureau either in Chicago or San Francisco, should be in possession of additional details concerning this matter.

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ACTION: It is suggested that appropriate inquiries be instituted by OSS to determine the full nature and use of this substance, and it will be appreciated if at least the substance of the results of these inquiries are made available to me. As you are well aware, this Office is of course most interested in anything which can be developed concerning the possibility of oral administration, particularly surreptitious oral administration of such substance in connection with BLUEBIRD matters.

