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## Office Memorandum • United States Government

Deputy Chief, I & S Staff

FROM

SUBJECT: Desired Qualifications of Candidate for S. I. Indoctrination

This is just a little informal ideation concerning this subject. As a matter of fact, I have learned from talking with you about various personalities, that you would be readily able to select the best available people for this work without my evaluation of qualifications.

The ideal candidate would be a scholar, linguist, well-trained interrogator, polygraph expert, physician, psychologist and psychiatrist. Of course, it would be impossible to obtain one with all of these qualifications so the best that can be done is to select a man with some of these attributes and train him as much as possible in the others.

Concerning education, it would be preferable to select a college graduate but native intelligence is more important than formal education\_although a combination of both would be advantageous. In addition to intelligence, necessary qualities are courage, initiative and energy.

Concerning speech, the individual must have a good command of at least Talking should be expressive of emotional reactions and at times, one language. should be modulated to almost a monotonous quality.

Emotionally, the candidate should be sensitive and free from letharmy, yet capable of control of his feelings at all times. If a man cannot govern his own emotions, he will have difficulty in the desired relationship with other people.

The general appearance and attitude of the S. I. operator should be one to inspire confidence and perhaps some fear although this may seem paradoxical.

The most important personality element desired is one which is difficult to describe. I have a theory that we human beings are like radio transmitters and receivers and tune in with one another to obtain harmony, discord, static or sometimes commercials and that the ability of the operator to successfully "tune in" with the people with whom he is working is the thing that counts the most. In other words, there must exist a dynamic inter-personal relationship.



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On Wednesday, 22 September 195h

writer if he knew as the first to him and asked the for details.

the name was not familiar to him and asked the for details.

stated that the was apparently a close friend of and he had mot tageral times and described as apparently as a man who always had plenty of money and a man who is interested in the work doing.

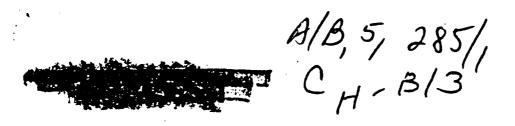
I stated he did not understand or like men of two and could not understand his motives for being interested in fork.

The writer told that he would check out the name of and that for the present the writer would advise to be cautious in talking with anyone such a for individuals whose background could not be properly ascertained.

On 28 September 195h. s office furnished the writer A with some material on and a quick survey of the material indicated had a very unusual background and had many links B 6 with persons of questionable loyalty.

In view of this, the writer called who is associated with the absent the writer information who is associated with the project to pass the word to that his a highly dubious character and should be informed to use extreme caution and care in any meeting with this man. No other details were given pending further discussion with

29 September 1954



He is regarded as highly capable and intelligent and has done advance work in numerous drug and chemical agents. He has particularly done experimental work in Hescaline and in Cannabis, and its derivatives.

on a personal basis and has been met by and the writer.

is a young man, quite enthusiastic and has made numerous tests on drugs and chemicals on himself.

is unknown, but it is assumed he is well aware of this Agency's work in the ARTICHOKE problem and our continuing interests in chemicals, drugs, etc. that bear on ARTICHOKE problems.

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