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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: "Plastic" Investigation.

1. At 12:30 this date, [redacted] advised [redacted] of a telephone call from [redacted] indicated that they had managed to assemble one crystal of the suspected substance obtained from "Plastic." They would like to have it analyzed by the infrared microspectroscope which [redacted] had previously arranged for [redacted] to see in the [redacted] area. [redacted] asked:

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a. Could he advise the individuals controlling the instrument that this analysis was being performed on a high priority for an unidentified government agency.

b. Would CIA be prepared to meet whatever expenses might be involved?

2. [redacted] checked with [redacted] to see whether there was any objection on the part of the [redacted] office of OO regarding further contact between [redacted] and the individuals concerned. At 3:00 p.m. [redacted] advised [redacted] that he had checked with [redacted] in [redacted] and there was no objection on their part. The [redacted] office did not consider it necessary for [redacted] to check in with them when he came into the area.

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3. [redacted] called [redacted] long distance at 4:00 p.m. this day and because of [redacted]'s absence, arranged to return the call at 10:00 a.m. the next day. Shortly thereafter, [redacted] called and advised that he could take the message. [redacted] indicated that this was satisfactory and that they would go ahead in anticipation that they would not need any further assistance from us. Should they run into any expense, they will send us the bill and it will be paid for from the special Project Artichoke fund established for this purpose.

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Subject File [redacted]

"Plastic"

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