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27 March 1962

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, [Redacted] G

SUBJECT J: [Redacted] - Dr. [Redacted] C

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1. [Redacted] I

TSD Chemical Division I  
has a project whereby in return for conducting experiments in support  
of TSD's program to develop means of controlling behavior, they fund  
a portion of the laboratory through the [Redacted] I  
was originally made by Dr. [Redacted] and Dr. [Redacted] A  
the contact is now retained primarily by Dr. [Redacted] A

I

J  
JHC

[Redacted] C

2. In a telephone conversation yesterday between Dr. [Redacted] A  
and myself, I suggested that I should like to talk with [Redacted] (The occasion C  
of the conversation was a hypothetical question which I put to [Redacted] A  
in connection with the [Redacted] case; this is covered in a separate memo-  
A randum). [Redacted] said that he would contact [Redacted] by 'phone immediately C  
and would set up a meeting among the three of us.

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[Redacted]

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*J* *J* 4. Previous papers in the [REDACTED] file on the experimental objectives of the [REDACTED] program have established a rather rough and ready group of criteria by which we hope ultimately to know whether trance can be introduced instantaneously on a hostile and unwitting subject. Translated into somewhat more technical terms, these criteria amount to our being able to determine whether and under what circumstances trance can be introduced without a process of acquaintanceship between subject and hypnotist. That is, the degree in which the transference element can be introduced after regression has been caused by some trauma.

*A* *C* *C* *F/I* 5. At the present time, there appears to be little disagreement among the psychiatrists with whom this subject has been discussed that amnesia and post-hypnotic control can be caused once trance is introduced. Dr. [REDACTED] *A* of the Medical Staff, qualifies this view only by noting that in some circumstances hypnosis can cause certain types of psychotic episodes to occur which cannot be controlled completely by the hypnotist. [REDACTED] *A*

*F/I* 6. The foregoing indicates the nature of the theoretical and experimental discussion that must continue at this stage of the [REDACTED] program. *J* Obviously, the answers to the questions raised can only be acquired by further experiments under realistic conditions.

[REDACTED] *A*  
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