DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE DIRECTIVE
3/11P

Foreign Weapon and Space Systems Intelligence

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Pursuant to the provisions of Section 102 of the National Security Act of 1947 and Executive Order 12333, a Weapon and Space Systems Intelligence Committee (WSSIC) is herewith established.

1. Mission

The Committee, in consultation with the Chairman, National Intelligence Council, will advise and assist the Director of Central Intelligence (DCI) in the discharge of his duties and responsibilities with respect to the production, coordination, and evaluation of intelligence on foreign weapon and space systems and will promote the effective use of Intelligence Community resources for this purpose.

2. Terms of Reference

WSSIC will be responsible for assessing the technical characteristics and capabilities; design, development, and initial deployment; and the technical characteristics and capabilities of command, control, communications, electronic warfare, and support systems of foreign weapons and space systems.

This responsibility will include, but is not limited to, the following:

a. ballistic missile systems,
b. space systems,
c. aerospace defense systems,
d. ground forces weapons systems,
e. air forces weapons systems,
f. naval forces weapons systems,
g. biological and chemical warfare systems, and
h. directed energy weapons systems.

The Committee will have no responsibility for assessing military order of battle or doctrine.

3. Functions

Under the general guidance of the Chairman, National Intelligence Council, the Committee will:

a. assess foreign weapon and space system developments which could affect significantly the national security of the United States, including future weapons systems employing advanced technologies;
produce coordinated intelligence reports; and contribute, as appropriate, to national intelligence products;

b. keep the DCI apprised on the responsiveness of foreign weapon and space systems intelligence production to national security requirements;

c. make recommendations to the DCI or Intelligence Community offices coordinating collection activities on the need for specific improvements in collection, analytical, and reporting capabilities on foreign weapon and space systems intelligence, including, but not limited to (1) identification of systems or activities required to close key intelligence gaps, (2) identification of new collection capabilities to be developed and deployed, (3) identification of existing capabilities that should be reduced or discontinued, and (4) changes in processing, reporting, and dissemination of collected intelligence information, including changes which involve contractor support...

d. make recommendations on the relative priorities of intelligence collection, processing, and analysis of foreign weapon and space systems;

e. in coordination with the DCI Security Forum, make recommendations on the dissemination and release of foreign weapon and space systems intelligence to...

f. schedule, participate in, and provide staff support for Intelligence Community and intelligence conferences on foreign weapons and space systems intelligence, as approved by the DCI; and

g. assign system designators and so inform the Intelligence Community and intelligence offices as appropriate.

4. Intelligence Community Responsibilities

On request by the Committee Chairman, Intelligence Community components will provide, within established security safeguards, information pertinent to the Committee's mission and functions.

Intelligence Community components will make available intelligence professionals to support the Committee's activities.

5. Composition and Organization

The Committee Chairman will be appointed by the Director of Central Intelligence.

The members of the Committee will be representatives designated by Intelligence Community principals.

The Chairman will establish subcommittees and other working groups as required.

With the approval of the Chairman, National Intelligence Council, the Committee Chairman may invite representatives of relevant United States Government entities with national security interests to participate as appropriate.

The Committee will be supported by an Executive Secretariat. CIA/OSWR will be responsible for providing a permanent support staff. Other agencies may volunteer personnel for these positions.

Footnotes
This directive supersedes DCID 3/11, effective 26 May 1982.

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