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MATERIALS ANALYSIS *short course*

The materials analysis program is directed toward the development of a system capable of predicting and identifying Bloc Country developments in psychopharmacological incapacitating or behavior control agents. The system when completed will consist of a special data base of reference compounds with unique behavioral characteristics, software programs capable of predicting structure-behavioral relationships and mechanisms for acquiring and testing new compounds of interest. The system is also to have diagnostic and therapeutic indicator capabilities. A major thrust of the research goal is to develop rapid response and countermeasure techniques.

The Panel recognizes the importance of this program as a means for improving the defensive capability of the Agency. There are some doubts that the collection and identification aspects of the program are a proper function for [redacted] but the Panel concedes that these efforts are better placed there than elsewhere. Analysis by [redacted] of Soviet and Bloc psychopharmaceutical R, D and T is not being done at this time. Such analysis could clearly provide

an input to this program, and the Panel therefore recommends such studies be started.

There is a serious split in the Panel over the testing with human subjects of drugs significantly affecting human behavior but rejected for clinical use: some members of the Panel are opposed to human testing of such drugs, with particular concern for political sensitivity and for unpredictable long-range clinical effects. Others believe that continued human testing is necessary for complete understanding of the potential of these materials and that sufficient controls have been imposed to minimize these risks.