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Subject: SI and H Experimentation, 24 November 1953.

On 24 November 1953, Tuesday, SI and H Experimentation and research was carried on in Building 13, Room 20, by Messrs.

[redacted] and [redacted] using as subjects Misses [redacted]

[redacted] and [redacted]

In view of the fact that Misses [redacted] and [redacted] had not previously attended any of the H sessions and that [redacted] had only attended once previously, the writer separated the group and assigned Misses [redacted] and [redacted] to [redacted] who conducted specific operations involving the polygraph in the IRB area while the writer discussed the H work with the new volunteers (see Mr. [redacted]'s report concerning work with the subjects in connection with the polygraph which is appended following). The writer then briefed Misses [redacted] and [redacted] on the very general aspects of the ARTICHOKe work and cautioned them in detail regarding the absolute security required in this program. Thereafter, the writer tested each of the subjects on the following tests: 1) falling back, 2) hand levitation, 3) hand clasp.

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In addition, the writer, at the conclusion of these tests, after a number of questions and answers, conducted all three subjects in a very slow relaxing procedure. At this point, since there was some time left, the writer tried a brief eye concentration test with both Misses [redacted] and [redacted].

In all of the above tests, the subject responded in a mediocre fashion with some performing better in one tests and others in another. None obtained a deep state although heavy efforts were not made to achieve this end. It should be noted for the record that all subjects expressed considerable interest and asked intelligent questions and stated that they would be available for work in the future regularly. Work was not scheduled in view of it being the day before the holiday.

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In connection with the work on 24 November 1953, [redacted] and [redacted] used the subjects in the order named: [redacted] and [redacted]. Subjects were tested individually by [redacted] and [redacted] with no other observers. Norm charts were run on all and simple card tests were used under hypnosis. Inasmuch as the group was so large and my feelings were that [redacted] and [redacted] desired no more observers, I was not present in the polygraph room where the experimentation was conducted, and can comment no further on results and opinions.

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[redacted] will probably draw some conclusion after a study of the polygraph charts.

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