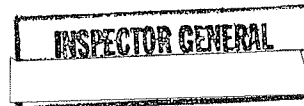




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 THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE
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MEMORANDUM FOR: See Distribution Sheet

SUBJECT: Detainee Working Group

1. ~~(C)~~ I have established an Detainee Working Group to coordinate the Agency's response to external inquiries concerning its actual and alleged detention, debriefing, interrogation, and rendition practices, especially those relating and to our worldwide counterterrorist activities.

2. ~~(C)~~ The DWG will serve as the CIA focal point for information relating to Agency detention, debriefing, interrogation, and rendition matters. The work of the DWG will be separate from, and is not intended to duplicate, investigations by the Inspector General related to the Agency's detention and interrogation activities.

- The DWG will assemble relevant documents and materials (e.g., testimonies, investigative reports, legal documents, authorization materials, and operational cables) relating to Agency detention, debriefing, interrogation, and rendition activities.
- The DWG is authorized to task CIA components to provide information, documents, and materials, and will be provided access to Agency programs regardless of compartmentation or organizational entity.
- As appropriate, the DWG will consult with the Office of Inspector General as it conducts its activities.

3. ~~(U//FOUO)~~ The DWG will prepare the DCI, DDCI, and other Agency officials for Congressional hearings, NSC Principals and Deputies meetings, and any other similar engagements.

- The DWG will provide status briefings for the DCI, DDCI, and other senior Agency officials as needed.
- In conjunction with other appropriate components, the DWG will draft statements for the record, oral testimony, and talking points as required.
- In conjunction with other appropriate components, the DWG will prepare background materials, such as issue papers, summaries of relevant reports, and suggested questions and answers.

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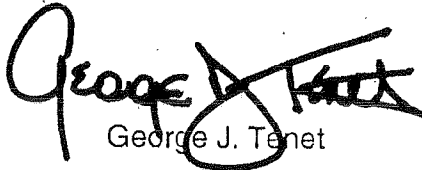
4. (U//FOUO) The DWG will interact directly with OIG and, through OIG, with other relevant investigative bodies.

- Requests from DoD elements will continue to be provided to OIG. Apart from requests for OIG investigative materials, OIG will forward those requests to the DWG for action and response back through OIG.
- All other requests will be provided through existing liaison channels to CIA. The Agency recipients will forward those requests to the DWG for action and response.

5. (U//FOUO) Working with the Office of Congressional Affairs and the Office of Public Affairs, the DWG will coordinate on any written or verbal communications, such as briefings, correspondence, presentation of data, or other forms of communication to Congress, the press, and other entities.

6. (U//FOUO) The DWG shall report to the Chief of Staff to the DCI. The Chair of the DWG is [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] as members of the Group. Additional Agency officers will assist the Group as well.


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