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TO: TSS/OC

1. Date of Obligation: N/A
2. Purpose of Project: To make a critical review of the literature and scientific development related to the interpretation of bioelectric signals from the human organism, and activation of human behavior by remote means.
3. Progress to Date: Satisfactory

4. Expiration Date: N/A

5. Project Monitor: [REDACTED]

FROM: TSS/CD

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

SUB-PROJECT NO. 119

Objective and details of work if available:

Researcher to make "a critical review of the literature and scientific developments related to the recording, analysis and interpretation of bioelectric signals from the human organism, and activation of human behavior by remote means."

Where done:

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Cover funding:

Principal researchers/contractors:

Approximate time span: Sept 60-July 61 Approximate total funds: \$6,370

When divorced from sponsorship was work classified? no, published? unk

What sponsors other than CIA are mentioned? None.

Names of CIA monitoring officers:

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Gottlieb,

What aspects if any might be considered controversial?

Probably none. Researcher and university were unwitting.

Was project considered responsive to the

No.

[REDACTED]

B

22 December 1959

[REDACTED]

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Dear [REDACTED] C

I have intended for some time to send you a progress report on the study of bioelectronic phenomena. There have been many pressures in relation to writing it, but the work has proceeded very well. For your information the pressures have related to the initiation of our new Ph.D. program and the completion of the two books on which I have been slaving. [REDACTED] is now in the publishers hands and will be released by [REDACTED] next summer. [REDACTED] is nearing completion and I hope to make my latest corrections to enable its release in Spring 1961. } C

We have divided the bioelectronic study into 4 phases: organ systems generating electric potentials, recording, analysis, and behavioral correlates. Each of these is further subdivided, of course.

Up to this time we have had a group of 4 professional persons: [REDACTED] and no, [REDACTED] meeting regularly to discuss our current accumulations and digests; we have employed two students to do abstracting and bibliographic searching; and we have conducted an extensive correspondence including the gathering of a stack of relevant reprints and catalogs. We have also purchased a small amount of literature. D

My total expenditures to date are under \$300. We have now reached a point where we are in a position to move more intensively on a number of issues and I have asked [REDACTED] to devote a major part of his time to the project, in consideration for which he is to receive \$1000. This will be a very efficient arrangement and will enable us to have a highly qualified psychologist working continuously and intensively with our student assistants and consulting with us and the working group. D

We are planning another [REDACTED] on the problem and also a mid-year conference, all on our original budget, but the plans for the latter are not yet firm. Our target date for the final report is the end of 1960. B

If you wish, I will send you the bills for our further expenses, to be disbursed by your office. However, it is somewhat more convenient to deposit the funds with the [REDACTED] and send the bills and invoices to them. Unless I hear from you on this, I will assume that you prefer the former arrangement. B

Did you find out anything of value for us in [redacted] I had been looking forward to some news from you or [redacted] and this is probably one of the reasons why I have not written sooner. f c

I would also like to explain why I have not submitted a proposal for my "situational variables" study. The principal reasons are two: First, I decided that you might have more confidence in our performance if we waited until we finished the present small study; Second, I have been anxious to avoid getting over-committed. Most of my earlier applications for research grants have been coming through and we may face the problem of staffing them adequately unless we proceed carefully. We are treating your present grant as a major area of responsibility, which fits in with a number of collateral interests here of which you know. I have gone ahead with the planning of the situational variables project and hope to get it actually under way within the next year.

Our new staff members [redacted] are working out splendidly and we hope to add two more men of their caliber this year. In short, things are working out very well at [redacted] and we are slowly, but surely moving toward our goal. [redacted] D } B

Please extend our warm greetings to [redacted] and to the members of your staff. Should you return to these parts, we would remind you of a standing invitation to visit. c

With cordial greetings to you and your family from [redacted] and me, c

Very Sincerely,

[redacted signature block] c