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(b)(3):50 USC 3024(i),(b)(6)

Dear (b)(6)

(U) This is to solicit assistance from the Publications Review Board regarding a prepublication review of a manuscript by Danny B. Stillman, titled “Inside China’s Nuclear Weapons Program.”

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(U) While DIA recommended excision of certain portions of the manuscript, the Department of Defense’s Directorate for Freedom of Information and Security Review (DFOISR), the office responsible for determining the DoD position regarding its public release, concluded that DoD’s position would be to object to open publication of the manuscript.

(U) On 29 March 2001, DFOISR received a letter (attached) from an attorney representing Dr. Stillman. Dr. Stillman’s attorney is exploring DoD objections to publication of the manuscript and has requested a DoD response on several issues. Prior to replying formally to the attorney, DFOISR has requested DIA input and comments (memo attached).

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(U) We recognize that unclassified response to us may not be possible. We also have informed DFOISR that we may be unable to reply to their memo at the unclassified level. DFOISR will accept a classified response from us, but requests that we indicate what information may be segregated for inclusion into the DoD response to Dr. Stillman’s attorney.

(U) Additionally, we would be glad to incorporate into our response to DFOISR any additional comments or views you may have on any of the issues raised by the attorney.

Enclosures a/s

Chief, Public Affairs