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MEMORANDUM

To: Mr. Armstrong
     Mr. Polyzoides

Subject: Erskine Letter on NSCID 9

Kellogg volunteered that CIA had decided not to answer for a while the recent letter from General Erskine to each USCIB member, in which Erskine had asked for comments now that NSCID 9 has been enforced for three years. The current thinking in CIA is that they will await USCIB consideration at next month's meeting, of the "implementation plan" which they believe to be at the heart of the responsiveness of NSA to the Community.

Kellogg says that he asked Godel why Erskine had sent the letter and, after going through the expected reply, a straightforward request for comments, got the answer that Godel and Erskine want to (a) stop the sniping at Canine by A-2 and others by forcing them to fish or cut bait on their bleats, and (b) put up a block to the "Manhattan project" approach to $64 questions, pressure for which apparently still persists in some quarters.