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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

T542 Contacts with the Marshall Library

A review of T542's records indicates that this organization's contacts with the George C. Marshall Library have fundamentally been those summarized in the enclosed 15 September 1982 memorandum to [insert name] of Q4. This memorandum covers only those contacts made by personnel of T542 (or predecessor organizations), and does not cover those made by personnel from T541.

The most significant addition to the information provided involves the Marshall Library's request for a copy of one of Friedman's diaries. After consultation with Q4, the copy was forwarded to Lexington.

Other information discovered during this review includes several items dealing with un consummated proposals to involve the Marshall Library and NSA in some sort of historical publishing operation. This was apparently an idea on the part of Ed Fishel to overcome the shortage of personnel assigned to the Agency's historical program and to use an unclassified historical publications effort to enhance public understanding of the intelligence process.

Other contacts include an effort on the part of Bob Farley to gain access to interviews between Marshall Library personnel and Carter Clarke, an indirect contact that came to nothing. Also, [insert name], a COMSEC intern assigned to the history staff in 1979, spent three days in Lexington doing research in the Friedman papers.

By way of information, I was able to acquire a memorandum on the NSA effort to catalog Mr. Friedman's collection, but nothing on the origin of his office's contact with the Marshall Library. As indicated by Mr. Friedman to Boris Hagelin, the decision to give the collection to the Marshall Foundation was made in 1966. The earliest indication I can find on contact between this staff and the staff of the Marshall Library is the January 1971 visit of Alfred Hesse and Vince Wilson to Lexington.

In summary, the only item of significance I would add to the report is the diary correspondence. As for the report and Bob Farley's contact, I would describe the significance as minimal, as both involve NSA's use of the Library's...
facilities and collections, not an inquiry into security procedures, the status of the Friedman collection, or anything else that would suggest the making or review of arrangements between the Marshall Foundation and NSA.

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