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6. General E. J. Bullene, Commanding General, Chemical Corps, U. S. Army; Col. Vincent Ruvet, Commanding Officer, Army Biological Center, Camp Detrick, Maryland and Major Max Eskin, Security Officer, Camp Detrick, Maryland are all fully cognizant of the facts in this case.

7. The individuals mentioned in the above paragraph are all cleared for Top Secret Mission by the Security Control Staff of CIA.

8. It has been brought to the attention of this office that the U. S. Army is conducting an independent investigation into the circumstances of Dr. Olson's death and it can be presumed that the Army investigators have become aware of Dr. Lashbrock's clandestine relationships to CIA.

9. On the basis of this information, it is recommended that Dr. Lashbrock's employment be backstopped through the office of General Bullene, Commanding General, Chemical Corps, U. S. Army.

10. It is further recommended that Col. Vincent Ruvet and Major Max Eskin, the Security Officer of Camp Detrick, Maryland be contacted advised that any inquiry regarding Dr. Lashbrock should be referred directly to the office of General Bullene and that the Security Office of CIA should be notified of the inquiry.

11. It is believed that this type backstopping is the simplest and most secure under the circumstances. Dr. Lashbrock's belief that he backstop him in any way with Camp Detrick, Maryland would call attention to that installation is not deemed sound as it is a natural thing for a chemist to be associated with an installation such as the Army Biological Center at Camp Detrick and that fact should not create undue interest. It is believed that backstopping through the Logistics Office of the Army would be inconsistent with Dr. Lashbrock's background and might create an undue interest insofar as an insurance investigation is concerned.

12. The Security Office Technical Services staff advised a representative of this Division in confidence that he felt that the backstopping with G-4 of the Army would not be compatible with Dr. Lashbrock's background. However, he had been requested by Dr. Lashbrock and Dr. Connelley of Technical Services Staff to offer this G-4 contact of TSS as a possible backstopping solution.

13. If you concur in these arrangements, the Cover Branch of OSD will undertake to implement them on an expedite basis.

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