

DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE DIRECTIVE NO. 1/9
BIOGRAPHIC INTELLIGENCE

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1. This directive is issued pursuant to the provisions of NSCID No. 1, particularly paras. 3 b (2), 3 b (3), 6 a (3) and 6 b and for the specific purpose of designating reference facilities for the handling of biographic data on foreign personalities,¹ and of providing for the exchange of such information.

2. Primary responsibility for the maintenance of biographic data on foreign personalities is assigned as follows: ¹

a. The Department of State shall be responsible for biographic information on political, social and cultural personalities, and economic personalities of political significance.

b. The Departments of the Army, Navy and Air Force shall be responsible for biographic information on military, naval and air force personnel, respectively.

c. The Central Intelligence Agency shall be responsible for biographic information on scientific and technical personalities, and significant economic personalities not covered by the Department of State.

3. All pertinent biographic information originating within departments or agencies shall be forwarded to the department or agency having primary responsibility.

4. The allocation of responsibility within the foregoing categories is based upon the principle of ensuring complete biographic coverage of important individuals and minimizing unwarranted duplication of effort. Nothing in this directive prevents or restricts an office from preparing a report or maintaining a biographic record on any individual, *Provided*, the department or agency holding primary responsibility is furnished with all the necessary information for its own file.

5. In answer to specific requests and standing requirements, each department or agency has the responsibility to produce, evaluate or make available to authorized recipients biographic intelligence on persons within its own categories of responsibility as assigned in paragraph 2, above.

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¹ Responsibility for biographic information on persons of counter-intelligence interest, under NSCID No. 5, para. 3 d, is assigned in DCID No. 5/3.