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In the Name of God, the Compassionate, the Merciful

The Republic of Iraq
Intelligence Service

To: Honorable Deputy Director of Intelligence Service for Operations
Subject: Scientific ideas

In reference to the report prepared by the biologist Uday Salim Mahdi (Part 1) and in response to your directive to discuss with the concerned section in Directorate 4 the possibility of including the ideas and information that came in the report in a letter to the President of the republic or the military industry commission, the section has indicated the following:

1. Refer the information related to the encryption method to D18 since it is the directorate concerned with the creation of algorithms for encryption for our service and all state establishments.
2. There is no scientific material that makes it necessary to refer to the President of the Republic or the military industry commission.
3. The concerned section recommends that the staff member above to destroy all of the documents related to his research to avoid any inconvenience with the inspection groups or the possibility of it reaching the country's enemies.

Please review. Respectfully,

[Signature]
General Security Section Director
22 October 2000

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The Republic of Iraq
The Presidency of the Republic
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Memorandum

Date: 10/14/2000

Number: D4/4/5/1631

To: Honorable Director of the General Security Section

Your secret communication number 125 in 10/8/2000.

The report by Mr. Uday Salim Mahdi sent to us with your communication above was reviewed and we decided the following:

1. The first idea in the report submitted last August by the individual mentioned above and its details were reviewed and they were referred to the nuclear energy organization for further study. The initial report indicated that the idea was unrealistic and cannot be practically implemented.
2. Regarding the second idea regarding a new method of encryption, we propose referring it to D17/2 since it is the directorate concerned with implementing encryption algorithms for the service and for all centers of the Iraqi government for evaluation and recommendation regarding its content.
3. The third idea regarding the production of viruses and bacteria that could be used to contaminate enemy water supplies in American military bases in Kuwait and Saudi Arabia, we say the following:
 - a. This is not a new idea. Furthermore, the preparation of viruses and bacteria in limited quantities is easy and can be replaced with various other poisons available in large quantities. The execution of the operation is difficult from a security, practical, and logistic aspect [continue on next page]

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[continue from previous page] which has to do with how to store the viruses and bacteria and keep it alive and effective until it is used; and also how to carry it to water and food supplies in the military bases of the enemy and ensuring it is not detected or killed with decontaminants and disinfectants used; in addition to the very dangerous repercussions both political and military.

- b. Producing these viruses and bacteria and using is considered a biological weapon banned by the Security Council resolutions. The current directives from the political leadership does not allow handling it because if found it would cause a grave political problem for Iraq. For this reason, we see that it is important that Mr. Uday must stop the research and production of this material and destroy everything that have to do with this topic including material and documents, because the enemies might get hold of it and present it to the United Nations which would cause the country and our intelligence service problems and give the director of the special commission a reason to put the area where the research was done under continuous surveillance. Furthermore, if a decision was made to carry out an operation of this kind, the material required can be found in the local markets.

Please review. Respectfully,

[Signature]

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12 November 2000

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