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OutlineExecutive Observer's Data Sheet

A completed copy of the Executive Observer's Data Sheet is shown in Exhibit I. Two uses for this form are anticipated. First, filed sighting reports will be analyzed to abstract facts to be entered on this form for coding. Second, when tests establish the adequacy of the form, it may be used directly by observers in recording sighting reports. This latter use will conserve time now expended in extracting information from the present reports for coding on the punched cards.

Coding Scheme

The coding scheme is illustrated in Exhibit II. This completed enclosure is to serve as an intermediate between the observer's report and the punched-card abstract of the facts on the sighting. In most cases, the facts on the sighting are not entered on the punched cards directly. In some cases, intervening steps require only coding, while in others calculations or analyses also may be involved. Prior to discussing the uses to which the punched cards will be put, it should be emphasized that the facts represented include:

1. Those presented on the standard form,
2. Those suggested by the Observer, and
3. Those suggested by the panel.

As might be expected, many more entries are proposed than have been used previously.

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