Part III Supervision and Control of the CIA

Introduction

The President has directed the Commission to determine whether existing safeguards are adequate to ensure that future domestic CIA activities do not exceed the Agency's authority. We have, therefore, examined CIA's external and internal controls.

Control over the CIA is exercised both within the Agency and externally by control of policy, resources and operations. First, policies are established, written into regulations and issued as guidelines. Second, resources such as money, property and personnel are allocated to activities consistent with this guidance. Third, direct supervision of CIA activities seeks to ensure that activities of the organization are consistent with policy guidance.

In this part of the report, we first examine the supervision of the CIA externally and then explain how the CIA has been controlled internally.