MEMORANDUM FOR: COMMANDEING GENERAL  
U.S. ARMY MEDICAL RESEARCH  
AND DEVELOPMENT COMMAND  

SUBJECT: Recommendation on Revised Budget Page Submitted by  
Dr. William J. Mogabgab (MD-2796)  

1. A revised budget statement was submitted by Dr. William J. Mogabgab to support his contract "Etiology and Epidemiology of Respiratory Disease at Keesler Air Force Base and Characteristics of the Causative Agents". This was necessitated due to the withdrawal of the USPHS from this jointly supported study. 

2. This contract has also been under question by the U.S. Army Medical Research and Development Command. A mail vote was held by the Armed Forces Epidemiological Board and the consensus is presented below: 

   The work as delineated in the contract is an important and meaningful project with high scientific merit and considerable usefulness to the military services. Dr. Mogabgab is an eminently qualified and respected investigator in this field and has produced much worthwhile scientific information. However, for various reasons, he has not been able to direct his activity to all areas of the contract and some studies planned have not been undertaken or consummated. For reasons not clearly understood reports on this contract have been incomplete, or delayed or occasionally nonexistent. 

3. It is therefore the recommendation of the Armed Forces Epidemiological Board that Dr. William J. Mogabgab's contract be funded for a terminal year, without prejudice to resubmission. During this year there should be an inventory of Dr. Mogabgab's research accomplishments and his contributions to the work of the Commission and the Board. Further
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Support should depend upon an evaluation of a new contract proposal setting forth a clear and revised definition of his research aims.

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