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**Introduction**

The CIA (Central Intelligence Agency) was created under the National Security Act of 1947. This act was signed by President Truman who signed it on July 26, 1947. On September 18, the CIA came into existence on an official basis taking into account that President Truman appointed CIG Deputy Director as the first director of the CIA. The organization aimed at the adjustment and adaptation to the approaching and emerging trends of the global landscape that are continuously changing. Historian asserts that the CIA is one of the agencies that has shaped the resilient parts of America, helping the country to attain what was unachievable in the beginning. The establishment of an intelligence agency for the United States was the next step it would need to ascend itself as the leading global power; the creation of the CIA during the Cold War would demonstrate that foreign intelligence was essential for America's growth in global affairs and creating its political identity.

**Discussion**

It was 1940 when the major events of the history of America took place and the events highlighted that there was an increased challenge for the United States to surrender in an isolationist attitude, depicted in the formation of the united nation. It was the same time iron curtain took control of Europe and after communism was initiated, there was a clear rivalry between West and East (Breckinridge & S, 2019). Churchill, who was the president of the United Kingdom at that time, highlight the importance and significance of Communist expansion and the Soviet Threat in the form of speech that was a call for America to take some major political decisions. This was the turning point in Cold War because Admiral Aouers on 29 April issued the first directive code that was concerned with the formation and gathering of intelligence on the Soviet Union(Breckinridge & S, 2019). It was the possible shortest time for the US to collect intelligence services and it resulted in the formation of the CIA. On one side, the Soviet threat was there with its hostile attitude and then it was the result of hostility that paved the way for espionage and covert operations which was not possible without the formation of a totally new organization (Breckinridge & S, 2019).

During the Cold War, CIA was one of the significant yet least options that could have been adopted by the American government to take control of the presented issues. There are several reasons behind it such as, The Great Depression that pushed the president Roosevelt so that he can implement “New Deal” also called the series of reforms that were meant for the improvement of the situation of the people who were affected by the economic crisis. Although there was a population, “conservative ones” who disagreed with the option because they were gaining significant power in the congress (Foglesong, et al. 2019). Another aspect for the formulation of CIA was the lack of trust towards the government and a belief in the efficient centralized organization and the opponent of the New Deal such as Senator Tydings who supported the formation of the agency called CIA. One one hand, the supporters were also one of the reasons who brought the significant and long-term crisis to the agency, such as CIA as an elitist and undemocratic conspiracy. On the other hand, CIA allowed and paved the way for covert operations as well as the option for increasing the support for its formation (Foglesong, et al. 2019).

The formation of the CIA is directly traced to the beginning of the Cold War and it was inevitably a product or reaction to the communist threats that were taken as a direct offense for the US. As it was quoted, "The need for an intelligence organization with high standing stems largely from a modern circumstance: the emergence of the United States as a world power at a time when the Soviet Union, a clandestine society, stated to pose a potent threat to world security." (Jeffreys-Jones, Rhodri, 2014). Although there are a lot of controversies associated with the formation of CIA, still it was highlighted that the realization of Donovan’s statements as the precursor of CIA argued that the intelligence should not only comprise of the military aspects but it should be a combination of all the other aspects such as military, social and political along with an increasing threat of the USSR that inclined secrecy as well as new forms of conformation that lead to the sentiments of fear and imminent need for the intelligence services (Hagerty, et al. 2019).

It can be asserted that the formation was CIA is seen as one of the most controversial issues in the history of the United States. If those controversies are taking positive, it can be concluded that the CIA is one of the agencies that is designed and meant to synchronize and align the status of the United States by merging it with the other powers in the world. The central aim of CIA is to collected data i.e. informative data from either way or either source that could be used for the reformation of the country or make some decisions that can prove effective for the development of the country (Hagerty, et al. 2019). Tracing history from Cold War till now, an exegetical view of the actions, and the performance of CIA highlights that it was meant for America’s growth in the global affairs. None of the countries can progress in global affairs until and unless relative information is collected from some credible sources which can then be used to make policies or recommend some changes to the policies. Also, the political identity of the United States today is a profound tribute to the actions and the accuracy of the functions of CIA, which is meant to collect analyze and evaluate intelligence and data so that progressive changes can be made at the evaluator's end (Hagerty, et al. 2019).

The history of the intelligence also highlighted that the intelligence was not officially visible until national security took place, while there are a lot of historians who argued that the along with Act, and the Soviet Union the communist were amalgamated and all the approaches were meant for the formation of the agency that was merely tactical (Hamilton, et al. 2019).. It would not be wrong to say that CIA is the creation of the mess during the Cold War and it demonstrate that foreign intelligence is essential for America's growth in global affairs and creating its political identity. According to an author Wilford, the emergence of CIA is the outburst of an agency from the embryonic intelligence organization that is now the center of attention for the world due to its cutting edges in the global development (Wilford, et al. 2013). According To him, the CIA is one of the tactics that is used by the American government to expanse its rule and interference for the collection of information so that it can gain position superior to the other countries of the world. The author found the actions and the working timeline of the CIA as a platform that set the stage of some of the serious world affairs (Wilford, et al. 2013). . It is highlighted that the critical analysis of the 9/11 attacks, the relationship between US and the Middle East were more like caught in a downward spiral. It was one of the sound reasons that the Central Agency has been made so that it can worsen the situation (Wilford, et al. 2013). The book “America’s Great Game”, highlighted that CIA is the product of pro-Arab operation in the 1940 and 1950, by analysis of the actions and the code of conduct of the last influential and the colorful officers in the Middle East (Wilford, et al. 2009). He brought into insight and exegetical understanding of the formation of CIA by saying that the Roosevelt family joined the combined force with that of Miles Copeland who was a maverick covert operation specialist and has joined the American intelligence during the World War II. The three people were termed as the major heirs of the missionary tradition that engaged both Muslims and Arabs with the same empathy and respect. The great Game started in the nineteenth-century struggle between Russia and Britain for taking control over Central Asia. Although there were some good intentions, still, the Arabizes propped up from the authoritarian regimes that attempted secretly to saw the public opinion in America (Wilford, et al. 2009). It is critically highlighted that the formation of the CIA is the product of a spy game that changed the history of US foreign policy forever (Wilford, et al. 2013).

If a chronological order is followed, it is asserted that CIA served as mandate that could continue the global development of the United States in the global world. One of the illustrations is provided in 1950, when CIA made some significant strides, in the form of Korean War that acted as a key player in the foreign policy areas as well as defense (Hamilton, et al. 2019). Adhering to the CIA procurement authorities as well as the ability of the CIA to carry out the mission in secret, the President established the CIA-Air Force Program that fielded U-2 before the set time as well as the calculated cost. In 1960, with the help of the CIA, several technological advances have been made by the United States, asserting the expansion of the intelligence community. There was an invasion of Cuba in the springs, although the invasions crumbled still it is counted as one of the major events in history (Hamilton, et al. 2019). . In the same year, the Defiance intelligence agency was formulated with an aim to coordinate and consolidate the production of intelligence analysis with the help of military analysis accompanied by an ambition to serve as the major and critical source of support for the Secretary and his staff. 1970, the decade of Turmoil and Reform is another, a major chunk of the history that is coordinated with the central role of CIA. There was critical involvement of CIA in the Watergate, accompanied by the activities of the former employees and in the preparation of the psychological profile of Daniel Ellsberg. The Rockefeller Commission is another major approach that was meat to define if the CIA employees are involved and engaged in the illegal activities in the United States or not, but later it resulted in an expansion of CIA, foreign intelligence chants in order to promote and forward suggestions of the operational guidelines. All these events highlight how CIA is less of an agency for security reasons but made of a platform that can help United States to promote its ways towards the other part of the world and appeal to the avenues of development around the globe (Jervis & R 2018).

It would not be wrong to say that today, 90% of the total budget is used for the national foreign intelligence budget and it is meant for nothing other than the collection and then the analysis of the information that can be used to approve the myriads of resources and information for the welfare of the United States. It is asserted that about half of the Intelligence Community and the CIA's overall resources are devoted to the Soviet Union and it is more of a lion’s share that is devoted to the military agencies and the military operations under the name of data and figures (Jervis & R 2018). It is asserted today, CIA is playing a central role in the overwhelming preponderance of its key effort for the collection of information which is gained from periodicals, newspapers, debates and the military attaches that peruses along with the course of classic spies. The collected information is then forwarded to the Washington where analysts shift through it, they examine, explain it to the others and try to make a house of a single straw that is caught in the form of pieces. This information then results in an infinite number of issues and worldwide development of interest to the United States. According to Maret, (2017), CIA officers are not the real-life James but they are the same layman who is trained and treated to collect the scarps of information that can help them to complete the mosaic in Washington. The CIA officers are the engineers who are specialists in several different disciplines and they try to make an understandable contact to inform a code that can warn this world of some dramatic change that would be for the wellbeing of the United States (Maret, et al. 2017).

There are a lot of dimensions and aspects that assert and justify how the CIA is a tool for the United States to get itself empowered in the global world. CIA collects information on targeting the Soviet Union and its signs, strengths, and vulnerabilities which can be used to bring modification in the weapons design in the United States making it eligible of competing in the global world through well developed and improved approach to weapons. It is observed that weapons are one of the significant tools that are the source of threat of security for the country (Hamilton, et al. 2019). Then, detailed assessments are done and performed to control and collect data regarding economic or trade negotiations. These negotiations are one of the major sources for the United States to promote world trade and define what are some common and significant vulnerabilities of a particular country. These negotiations also help the US to enter into the other realms because the US has already collected sufficient information about what others are planning to do so overcoming one table up is always appreciated and taken hand to hand (Jervis & R 2018).

Security concern is one of the major topics under discussion in the world taking into account terrorism has bought different countries closer. In the same way, a lot of countries are pushed apart under security threats. It is highlighted that CIA is performing an exceptional job in collecting information and data regarding the plans of terrorists to attack the United States or impart the allied installation that is used to alert the security forces. Here, there are two major concerns to be addressed, one of the concerns is the use of security information to overcome and mitigate the security threats and then on the basis of these threats and knowledge US is trying to empower its nation and security forces in terms of any approaching threat which strengthen the security forces. However, a significant role is played by CIA in controlling and preventing the terrorist attack, which automatically makes US a platform of secure actions and treaties as compared to other countries such as Pakistan (Richelson, et al. 2018).

United Nations is on the world stage, where all the countries are looking ahead for their major representation. This representation is not just attached to strong political framework but it also enforces and encourage other countries to come up with the idea of negotiation and connection with the United States. It is highlighted that currently, United States is playing a central role in completing a comprehensive analysis of the Society Police officers into the United Nation so that United Nation can influence and empower the policies and members of the United Nations (Richelson, et al. 2018). CIA is not just playing a central role in highlighting and promoting the underlying facts and figure of the country that can empower different departmental in fact, a central role is played by CIA in the analysis of the foreign restrictions on the United Nation business operations so that more economic growth can be addressed. US investment and business operations when combined with the foreign support for business resulted in business ventures that are essential for US negotiation with UN. These negotiations are definitely meant for the social economic and political upheaval of the United States in companionship with the other countries of the world. Also, CIA is used by the USA to encourage and empower the law enforcement officials’ in terms of intelligence that is acquired on the activities of the drug traffickers. This aspect also invited attention toward one of the global threat that is addiction (Richelson, et al. 2018). A Critical analysis highlights that there are very rare cases of drug trafficking activities in the United States and it is ultimately a credit to the work that is done by the CIA to enforce and stop the activities of the drug traffickers. It is the efforts of CIA that have made United States capable of imposing and progressing ahead and screening actions that can later be used to overcome some major threats. It would not be wrong to say that the United States has used this data to track the activities of drug traffickers so that the drug invasion and the rackets can be banned from contaminating the social timeline of the country (Wilford, et al. 2009).

Technological information is one of the most significant and undeniable aspects in the analysis of the activities of CIA and how it is helping the United States to make up a mark on the global landscape (Secker, et al. 2019). It is highlighted that there are major technological advances and Western technologies that are adopted by the United States illegally in order to assess the value of technological empowerment to the Soviets. This technology is also used to collect information that can also help to assess the base of technology to the Soviets, the parties who are participating and playing a role in the transaction and the inclusion of different movements and authorities in such activities (Richelson, et al. 2018). All these aspects are quite diverging and hard to understand and apparently misleading but all this concept is aligned with the help of CIA that aimed at the acquiring of information that can help the US to collect up to date data and technological advances that can prove effective in the long run and place it at a parent place in the global world (Secker, et al. 2019).

USSR is one of the platforms and focuses of attention in the global world, where the US is seen in active negotiations with USSR in terms of different issues and topics. Wherever, some major topics of attention are, arm control, intelligent assesses and the ability of the United States to monitor the Soviet compliance per the noncompliance with the agreements, it is the product of information that is collected from the CIA so that USA can be successful in approaching those standards that can make a country superpower, economic country and one of the most developed country (Wilford, et al. 2009).

These are few apparent paradigms that are addressed by the CIA in order to support USA to gain a global reputation. It is highlighted that intelligence is something that is a 24-hour availability in the United States. Every day, the national security advisers are seen having meetings with the president and it is asserted that the ultimate aim of these meeting is to ensure update on the unique data that have been collected by that time. This data is then used to synchronize or sometimes modify the longer-range policies and then the policy analysis is again made in the light of the intelligence that has been collected so far. Finally, the CIA facilitates and promotes the formation of different policies that are a specialized assessment by the research program conducted by the CIA (Secker, et al. 2019). These research reports or events are meant to carry out analysis of the issues ranging from minor concerns to major aspects such as the formation of strategic weapons, epidemiology of the space and the notion of food supplies. Another major concept discussed is the political instability in the third world, issues of the intention of finances and the supplies of energies that are used to enrich the trade spectrum of the country. Other major topics of discussion and the topics to collect information are Soviet Laser weapons, the proliferation of commodity supplies and the chemical and biological weapons that a can be used in present time or in the long run for the empowerment of the country or to enhance the strategic location and powers of the country (Jervis & R 2018).

Another major aspect of agency is the warning reports and making decisions that have been made by the major powers of the world. It would not be wrong to say that CIA is more like a watchdog that takes into account all the global happening and then tilt and modify its decision with respect to the presented notion so that United States can be a few steps ahead of the other countries. Keeping the comparative and competitive steps aside, there are some other responsibilities and duties that are performed by CIA and those activities are the hallmark of the progression of the United States of America. These actions are something that is compulsory for all the developing and developed countries in order to make up make in this world. It is highlighted that CIA plays a central role in national security which is one of the prime concern. Earlier in the paper, the security concerns derived from the other countries were discussed and here CIA is defined in term of the internal efforts that are made for restoring the peace and security concerns in the country. It is highlighted that CIA is meant to study intelligence issues and then resolve it with peace measures so that the public can be prevented from getting panicked. After that, CIA is engaged in the analysis of the collected information so that both national and international decisions can be made that can prove effective in the long run for the progression of the country. Also, CIA is designed to keep a check on the activities within and the areas surrounding the country with the help of data that is collected through satellites. These pictures from satellite are then used to analyze all the information and any interruption that is observed around or within the country. It is highlighted that the subject issue or noted concerns is not affirmed to be something derived by manpower, it could be natural disaster or a natural happening that may prove devastating or the country (Hagerty, et al. 2019).

It would not be wrong to say that no matter how much connotations and controversies are attached with the formation of CIA, it is one of the sources and opportunities for the United States that is the key to global development because CIA is working globally while remaining confined to a single geographical area. It is more like a political initiative now that is necessary for the USA to invest in and work for the betterment so that a global position as a superpower along with a dominant political power can be maintained. (Maret, et al. 2017).

**Conclusion**

CIA and intelligence of the United States of America also called “America’s house of intelligence”, was formulated during the Cold War because America was facing issues in terms of intelligence and there was no way out to collect intelligence. Although there are other connotations such as “political game” and “spy legacy” associated with CIA, still, the chronological history of CIA and its current performance depicts a different picture. It is concluded that the CIA is one of the sources of information that is responsible for aligning and restoring the political and military actions of the United States. CIA is performing all the duties from security managements, pre-planned terrorist measures and negotiations with the emblems of authority and power such as UN and USSR which are the major factors that can contribute to the global position of the country. In a nutshell, CIA is playing a central in wearing the USA to maintain its global position as a political and economic power in the world. If CIA would not have been formulated during Cold War, the assembling of the political data and information at that time would not have been possible and there would have been rare chances for the United States to be the same economic and political power in the world that is competing with the major and the growing powers of the world. So, CIA can be called, a necessity, a promotor of political success as well as an essential department for the United States to maintain its political identity and a global position in the timeline of emerging powers.

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