

DEPUTIES' MEETING

Wednesday, 5 August 1953

PRESENT: Mr. Dulles, General Cabell, Messrs. Wisner, Amory (part of meeting), Colonel White, Messrs. Kirkpatrick, Helms, Sheldon and [redacted]

Mr. Dulles:

a. Stated we had now received a letter from Congressman Jenner requesting that the testimony given in Executive Session [redacted] be vetted by CIA with the view that it might be made public. The Director said this letter now raised two questions: (1) what portion, if any, of this testimony could be released in light of the security implications involved; (2) what portion could be made available to State in connection with the [redacted] affair. Mr. Kirkpatrick said in going over a part of the testimony in question it was evident that by and large it referred more to the operations and personnel of the Agency than it did to [redacted]. The Director expressed the opinion that we could not make public testimony which was originally made in Executive Session and asked Messrs. Wisner and Kirkpatrick to be prepared with recommendations on this problem not later than 7 August. The Director also noted that any information respecting [redacted] obtained from this testimony and furnished to the Department of State should come from the Committee and not CIA.

b. Reported on a conversation he had on 4 August with Dr. Milton Eisenhower respecting his recent trip to South America and stated Dr. Eisenhower was concerned over the situation in Bolivia and also had expressed the opinion it might be wise to invite some of the labor leaders in Chile to visit the U.S. After some discussion Messrs. Helms and Sheldon undertook to have prepared a round-up on Bolivia and Mr. Helms undertook to discuss the Chilean labor problem with [redacted].

c. Noted a cable from the Senior Representative [redacted] (IN 47421) regarding the appointment of a Political Advisor to [redacted] and after some discussion, wherein Mr. Helms pointed out the problem involved, the Director asked Mr. Helms to find some device which would permit [redacted] to remain in [redacted] particularly during the period the Secretary of State is there.

d. Noted he had received the recommendations of DD/P and Colonel Edwards on the problem of operational clearances and stated that after General Cabell had had an opportunity to study this subject he wished to see DDCI, DD/P, COP and Colonel Edwards -- at which time a decision would be made on this matter.

e. Stated in view of the recent events in Iran we should leave to Ambassador Henderson's discretion the date he should return to that country. Mr. Wisner suggested we first touch base with State on this and the Director approved.

f. Asked Mr. Helms to call Mr. Shanley at the White House respecting

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Mr. Dulles (Continued):

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General Cabell:

a. Briefly outlined a proposed procedure respecting the allotment of funds from the '54 Budget to DD/P, DD/I, DD/A, AD/CO and the Director of Training, and recommended this matter be discussed at the Deputies' Meeting on Friday, 7 August, with the above-listed officers present. Colonel White suggested that Mr. Saunders also be present and the meeting be held in the Director's Conference Room. The DCI approved.

b. Reported he had received a letter from [ ] USA, Retired, accepting the Director's offer for the position of Senior Representative [ ] noting [ ] had indicated he could not remain with us more than two years and would like our decision as early as possible. The Director said he would like to consider this matter and discuss it with D/DCI and DD/P prior to his departure for Europe. The Director also said as a matter of policy he would prefer that individuals appointed to positions as Senior Representatives be available for long-term and/or career assignments.

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Mr. Wisner:

a. Noted that [ ] appeared to be running ahead of Headquarters on the designation of Senior Representatives in [ ] and after some discussion of the cases in point the Director stated that in the future no such commitments should be made without first touching base with Headquarters.

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b. Suggested that General Smith make public a statement denying the allegations of General Del Valle that we had approached him with a proposition of going to Tokyo to undermine General MacArthur. The Director said he did not believe we should fight this battle in the newspapers, but noted he would discuss it with General Smith.

Mr. Amory:

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b. Noted that Under Secretary of State Lourie and Mr. West (State) were going to Central America on an inspection trip and suggested they be given a briefing by DD/P. The Director approved.

Mr. Helms:

Noted the [ ] wished to send one of their officers to discuss and observe our training techniques [ ] and raised the question as to whether we should accede to this request and if so how much information

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Mr. Helms (Continued):

should be made available. The Director stated there was no objection to extending the invitation and asked Mr. Helms to work out with General Cabell the extent to which we should go in releasing information on this subject. General Cabell asked Mr. Helms to furnish him with his recommendations in this regard.



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