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DEPUTIES' MEETING

Wednesday, 7 July 1954

PRESENT: Mr. Dulles, Mr. Wisner, Mr. Amory, Col. White,
Messrs. Kirkpatrick, Helms, Sheldon, [redacted]

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Mr. Dulles:

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b. Noted an article in the New York Times, 6 July 1954, respecting the increase in the volume of mail being received in the United States from behind the iron curtain and asked Mr. Helms to look into this in connection with his recent conversation with Postmaster General. The Director noted that we should arrange if possible to receive "the take" from this mail

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d. Briefly discussed his conversation with [redacted] last evening and stated that:

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1) He had agreed to be surfaced. (The Director noted he had impressed upon this defector he did not wish that he make an immediate decision without thinking through the problem. However, it appeared that he had given his reply considerable prior thought and [redacted] had repeated he felt this action was the best.)

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2) He had directed Messrs. [redacted] to go ahead with plans to implement this action in two to three weeks. However, on second thought he would prefer the announcement to be made just prior to the adjournment of Congress.

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3) He was inclined to get some literary talent to assist in drafting the announcement and approved the recommendation that Wallace R. Dewel be used for this.

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- 4) He desired that the Service Intelligence Agencies, the FBI and the [redacted] be given every opportunity to complete their interrogations of [redacted] before he is surfaced,

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Mr. Wisner:

a. Referred to a cable from [redacted] (IN 25553) respecting a briefing on PBSUCCESS, and received the Director's approval to arrange this for 5:00 PM, Tuesday, 13 July. The Director said he would hold his NSC briefing on that day at 4:30 PM.

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b. Reported that Assistant Secretary of State Holland was deeply concerned over the disposal problem of the Guatemalan Communists who have taken refuge in the several embassies in Guatemala City, and in particular, [redacted] offer to grant these people political asylum. The Director said he realized the magnitude of this and stated he believed we should first obtain all of the facts in this instance to include how many are involved, their names and what they are charged with, what countries are now giving or propose to offer sanctuary, etc.

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c. Stated the "course of sprouts" we had given selected State graduates of the recent class of the National War College had been well accepted to the extent that State was now asking when we can do this again. The Director stated he would prefer to do this after graduation of the next War College class and stated we might also include other State Department officers. Mr. Kirkpatrick suggested we might also add to this group selected Department of Defense officers who are being assigned to foreign areas where they will come in contact with our people.

d. Raised the question of declassification of captured foreign documents and in particular, those that led to the Japanese entry into World War II. Mr. Wisner said the latter was discussed at a recent meeting he attended and it was evident that a number of high U.S. government officials were completely ignorant of the facts. In this connection, it was pointed out that captured foreign documents in the possession of the United States were "all over the lot" and little progress has been made in their translation, cataloging and photographing. The Director said he believed this problem was a matter for OCB and asked that an appropriate paper be prepared which he might present at an early meeting. DD/I undertook to have [redacted] Office of Operations, do this.

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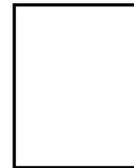
Mr. Amory:

a. Stated that [redacted] had received clearance for a two and one-half months' visit to Russia. After some discussion, it was agreed that [redacted] should contact her prior to her departure.

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b. Reported that an Air Force publication which apparently receives wide distribution, although classified Secret, contained excerpts of NIEs, identified by numbers and citing CIA as the source. Mr. Amory said this publication also had undertaken to offer its comments on these estimates. The Director stated this was wholly unnecessary and no reference should be made to NIEs as such. Mr. Amory undertook to discuss this problem with General Samford.



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