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DEPUTIES' MEETING

Wednesday, 30 March 1955

PRESENT: Mr. Dulles, Mr. Wisner, Mr. Amory, Col. White, Messrs. Kirkpatrick, Helms, Bissell, Sheldon (part of mtg.), [redacted]

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Mr. Dulles:

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b. Noted a cable from [redacted] (IN 26108) respecting the agenda for CIA's talks with the [redacted] on war plans and asked DD/P to reply to this message. Mr. Wisner pointed out that from the tone of this cable it would appear that the [redacted] are possibly attempting to use CIA as an entree to discuss war plans in general since the Pentagon is at the present time holding them at arm's length on this subject. The DCI said, therefore, that CIA would have to be most careful in any discussions and keep them within the bounds of our activities. The Director made it clear that we should steer away from discussing thermo-nuclear warfare as referred to in the above-cited communication.

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c. Noted he had gone over the draft of his quarterly report to the NSC and stated that the portion on [redacted] activities should be "beefed up". Mr. [redacted] undertook to return it to [redacted]

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d. Assigned to Mr. Bissell the responsibility for long range planning in regard to future [redacted] elections.

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Mr. Amory:

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Col. White:

a. Reported that CIA was way behind in its contributions to the Red Cross this year as compared to last year. The Director asked those present to so inform their people and request each person who had not already contributed to do so even though the amount might be small.

b. Noted he had discussed with the Bureau of the Budget the proposed legislation for a new CIA building and stated it was necessary to include in this legislation an eight million dollar item for extension of the Memorial Parkway to the Langley site. Col. White made it clear that while the Bill in question would not limit us to Langley, it was necessary to point up the funds for road facilities, since this money, if we build at Langley, would be turned over to the Department of the Interior. Mr. Kirkpatrick pointed out that in addition to building a road, which would in all probability bring down on us the ire of Senator Byrd, there also existed transportation, sewage, and water problems insofar as Langley is concerned. Mr. Kirkpatrick said while the water and sewage problem could in all probability be surmounted, it was his considered opinion that we might expect to lose a great number of clerical personnel in view of the transportation difficulties involved. After some discussion it was agreed to drop the Langley site from consideration.

Mr. Kirkpatrick:



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