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DEPUTIES' MEETING

Wednesday, 18 July 1956

PRESENT: Mr. Dulles, Mr. Wisner, Mr. Amory, Col. White,
Mr. Bissell, Mr. Helms, [redacted]

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Mr. Dulles:

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a. Noted he had received a letter [redacted] respecting his recent trip to Russia and asked [redacted] to make copies of this letter available to DD/P and DD/I. The Director also said that arrangements should be made to have a representative of CIA call on Dr. [redacted] University in order to obtain more detailed information.
ACTION: DD/I.

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b. Noted several messages recently received indicated a build-up that the Egyptians are "trying to take over Syria" and stated we should make use of this through all available means. The Director particularly mentioned [redacted] and said it might be well to get something out in the American press also.

Mr. Wisner:

a. Referred to the record of actions taken by OCB on specific projects approved by that Board and stated in his

opinion the present procedure set up to protect the security of these projects is adequate. Mr. Wisner asked the Director if it was his wish that these actions continue to be filed in the office of the DCI. The Director said he saw no need for this and would prefer they be maintained by DD/P. ACTION:

25X1 Mr. [] to forward the files in question to Mr. Wisner.

Colonel White:

25X1 Reported there had been a reduction in cable traffic during the month of June over May, which in large part is due to: 1) PD's being hand delivered; 2) a genuine effort on the part of all concerned to cut down on cables. Mr. [] 25X1 noted [] had advised him that the course being 25X1 conducted [] on the preparation of cables was also a contributing factor. Col. White commented even with this good news we are still not out of the woods since special projects continue to make demands on the communicators and in fact the Office of Communications has just recently transferred five of its people to one of these projects.

Mr. Wisner:

Referred to a discussion at the Deputies' Meeting on 16 July respecting Pakistan's proposal for a food bank for SE Asia and noted he had gone over his files on this subject and we are now "maneuvering around on it". The Director remarked he would be willing to put this matter before the OCB. Mr. Amory commented that he thought the best place to raise it would be with Clarence Randall, Chairman, Council on Foreign Economic Relations.

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