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ASSISTANT DIRECTORS' MEETING

AGENDA

Director's Conference Room, First Floor Administration
Building
on Monday, 7 February 1955, at 1100 hours

Announcement of Reorganization of Administrative
Structure and change of title from DD/A to DD/S

MR. DULLES &
GEN. CABELL

Mention of the formation of a Subcommittee on CIA
by Senator Richard Russell

MR. DULLES

Status of Clark Committee investigation

MR. KIRKPATRICK

Developments on the new building

COL. WHITE

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STAFF CONFERENCE

Minutes of Meeting Held in Director's Conference Room, Administration Building, Monday, February 7, 1955 at 1100 hours

Mr. Dulles Presiding

- General C. P. Cabell, Deputy Director
- Robert Amory, Jr., Deputy Director for Intelligence
- Frank Wisner, Deputy Director for Plans
- Col. Lawrence K. White, Deputy Director for Administration
- Mr. Lyman Kirkpatrick, Inspector General
- Richard Bissell, Special Asst. to the Director for Plans and Coordination
- Harrison G. Reynolds, Assist. Director for Personnel
- Col. Matthew Baird, Director of Training

- [Redacted] Assist. Director for Communications
- [Redacted] Executive Assistant to the Director
- [Redacted] Assistant to the Director
- [Redacted] Assistant to the Director

- James M. Andrews, Assist. Director for Collection & Dissemination
- George Aurell, Chief, Far East Division
- James Angleton, Chief, CI Staff, DD/P
- [Redacted] Chief,

- [Redacted] Chief, Planning and Program Coordination Staff
- [Redacted] Chief, Western European Division

- John Bross, Chief, Eastern European Division
- George Carey, Assistant Director for Operations
- Dr. H. Marshall Chadwell, Assistant Director for Scientific Intelligence
- [Redacted] Deputy Director for Security
- [Redacted] Auditor-in-Chief

- James A. Garrison, Chief of Logistics
- [Redacted] Chief, Technical Services Staff
- [Redacted] for Chief, Near East and Africa Division
- Dr. Otto E. Guthe, Assistant Director for Research and Reports
- Richard Helms, Chief of Operations, DD/P
- Lawrence C. Houston, General Counsel

- Dr. Sherman Kent, Assist. Director for National Estimates
- Col. J. C. King, Chief, Western Hemisphere Division
- [Redacted] Assistant Deputy Director Administration
- [Redacted] Chief, Soviet Russia Division

- Cord Meyer, Chief, [Redacted]
- [Redacted] Management Officer
- Walter Pforzheimer, Deputy General Counsel
- Hermit Roosevelt, Asst. Deputy Director for [Redacted]
- John Richardson, Chief, Southeast Europe Division
- Edward R. Saunders, Comptroller

- Huntington D. Sheldon, Assistant Director for Current Intelligence
- [Redacted] for Chief of Administrative Staff, DD/P

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[Redacted] Chief, Foreign Intelligence Staff
Dr. John R. Tietjen, Chief, Medical Staff
[Redacted] Office of DD/I

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1. Reorganization of Agency Administrative Structure

Mr. Dulles opened the meeting by remarking that he had laryngitis, was not supposed to talk and therefore would ask General Cabell to discuss the new reorganization of CIA Administration.

General Cabell described the creation of the Office of the Deputy Director/Support, effective 3 February 1955, encompassing all elements formerly under the DD/A, all elements formerly under the DDP/Admin, and the Offices of Communications, Comptroller, Logistics, Personnel, Security, Training, Audit, General Counsel, Management, and Medical. General Cabell noted that this reorganization incorporated all Agency support elements under one head and among other things placed the DD/P in the position of now having to look outside of his own shop for vital support.

Mr. Dulles commented that while the changes appeared most substantial on paper the reorganization really gives effect to a practical situation long existing in the Agency whereby the DD/A was spending most of his time and effort in support of DD/P via various scattered units within DD/P. This change merely consolidates these functions, and in addition gives the Offices of Personnel, Communications and Training a Deputy Director representing them in the regular Deputy Directors Meeting, which heretofore had not been the case. Mr. Dulles remarked that anyone involved in this change who had previously had access to the DDCI or the DCI still had such access.

Mr. Wisner, DD/P, spoke in general support of the reorganization noting that it was the finalization of efforts commenced two years ago which could now be implemented because of Agency growth in maturity. He expressed his gratification with the selection of one of the top DD/P officials as the principal DD/S representative to implement support activities in DD/P.

Col. White stated that approximately 80 percent of all support activity in the Agency is in assistance to the DD/P area and that he personally plans to make every effort to maintain a close relationship with DD/P problems and furnish the required support to the greatest degree. He indicated that he would have physically located in the DD/P area an Assistant to the DD/S for special support, together with such staff for that Assistant as might be necessary. Col. White also stated that he planned to have an office in the DD/P area and to spend a portion of his time there in order to be available for the expeditious solution of support problems.

In response to a query from Mr. Carey, Col. White stated that direct dealings were authorized where already existent between various components of DD/S and the DD/P and DD/I complexes. In such transactions no copies of memoranda to Col. White's office are necessary unless matters of policy are involved. He added that he had no intention of attempting to become an expert on matters involving Communications, training, etc., and that the Assistant Director now incorporated within the DD/S framework still had direct access to the DCI and should merely inform the DD/S of the substance of all such discussions.

25X1 In connection with the foregoing discussion Mr. Dulles remarked that [redacted] formerly Chief, DDP/Admin, would shortly be departing for an important overseas assignment.

2. Senate Subcommittee on CIA

Mr. Dulles commented that those present might have seen a small article in the newspapers concerning the establishment by Senator Richard Russell of a Subcommittee on CIA of the Senate Armed Services Committee. He stated that he had previously discussed this matter with Senator Russell and had received a letter from him advising of plans to establish such a Subcommittee. Mr. Dulles stated that Senators Russell, Saltonstall, Byrd, Bridges and Lyndon Johnson comprise the Subcommittee. He expressed his belief that this was a constructive move as these Senators are a good cross section involving appropriations and armed services matters in the Senate. Mr. Dulles expects to have additional meetings on this subject with Senator Russell and prefers this type of Subcommittee to the proposals of Senator Mansfield that a joint congressional committee on CIA be established.

3. Status of Clark Committee Inquiries

Mr. Kirkpatrick reported that some Clark Committee representatives had already departed for a survey of the Pacific and Far Eastern areas and that another group was about to depart to survey the European areas. Both groups are expected back around the end of February and plan to spend most of the month of March organizing all of their data and writing their final report. Mr. Kirkpatrick stated that briefings of the Committee are now over with the exception of questions which might arise from the current field trips and a final briefing by the IG and DCI. Mr. Kirkpatrick further stated that he wished to have properly squelched a rumor circulating to the effect that we sent a man to the Far East in advance of the Committee representatives to brief our people on what to say -- there is no element of truth in this rumor.

4. Dinner Meeting with members of former Doolittle Committee.

Mr. Dulles stated that the previous Friday he had invited the members of the Doolittle committee to join him and several CIA officials in a dinner and post mortem discussion of the Doolittle report and recommendations contained therein. A frank discussion was held in which the Committee members were advised concerning which of their recommendations had been appreciated and implemented and which had not been followed and the reasons therefore, and disagreements therewith. Mr. Dulles stated that the entire affair was genuinely gratifying for all concerned and that the Doolittle members considered this a most remarkable happening in government, i.e., that a report should be discussed and recommendations implemented rather than merely filed and forgotten.

5. New CIA Building.

Col. White gave a brief resume of the status of plans for CIA to be housed in its own building. Based on a written exception from the

dispersion standards set by the Civil Defense Administration it was determined that location of a new CIA headquarters would be preferably within 10 miles of the White House. Out of six originally proposed sites, two are still under active consideration - Langley, Virginia and a building in S.W. Washington to be constructed under the proposed Zeckendorf Development Plan. Roads are a major problem in considering the Langley site and National Capital Planning Commission plans and approvals are a problem in connection with the Zeckendorf Plan. Financing aspects are still under study by the Bureau of Budget. Col. White closed by remarking that he hoped more answers would be known to some of these problems in the near future.