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14 July 1961

DEPUTIES' MEETING

Present: Mr. Dulles, General Cabell, Mr. Bissell, Mr. Amory,
Colonel White, Mr. Kirkpatrick, Mr. Helms, Mr. Barnes,
Mr. Sheldon, Mr. Kent, [REDACTED]

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MR. DULLES:

a. Noted at the NSC meeting yesterday, among other things a discussion had taken place about trade between the West and the USSR, with particular reference to East Germany and the Satellites. The Director said while it was not made clear, he believed that an Estimate or statement on this subject is desired, to cover the facts on trade between the West and the East and, if terminated, what does this do to the Soviets. He also said consideration should be given to bringing in trade relations with Red China. Action: DD/I to speak to Alexis Johnson, Deputy Under Secretary for Political Affairs, and determine whether in fact an Estimate or statement is desired and, if so, what are the terms of reference.

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b. Stated it would be useful if we could obtain the views of Senator Humphrey as a result of his recent trip. Mr. Kent undertook to get in touch with him and arrange for a debriefing. Note: The Director wishes to be present.

c. Stated he desired that a CIA task force be established on East Germany for the purpose of recommending actions we can or should take during the current crisis in this area. For example, he said it would be useful to obtain the statements of some of the East German refugees now in West Germany as to why they defected. In this connection, he mentioned students, housewives, and farmers. Mr. Dulles went on to say that if we could get a series of statements, particularly from the younger defectors, and publicized such statements together with other actions to be recommended by the task force, he believed this would go a long way in breaking down the East German Government. [REDACTED]

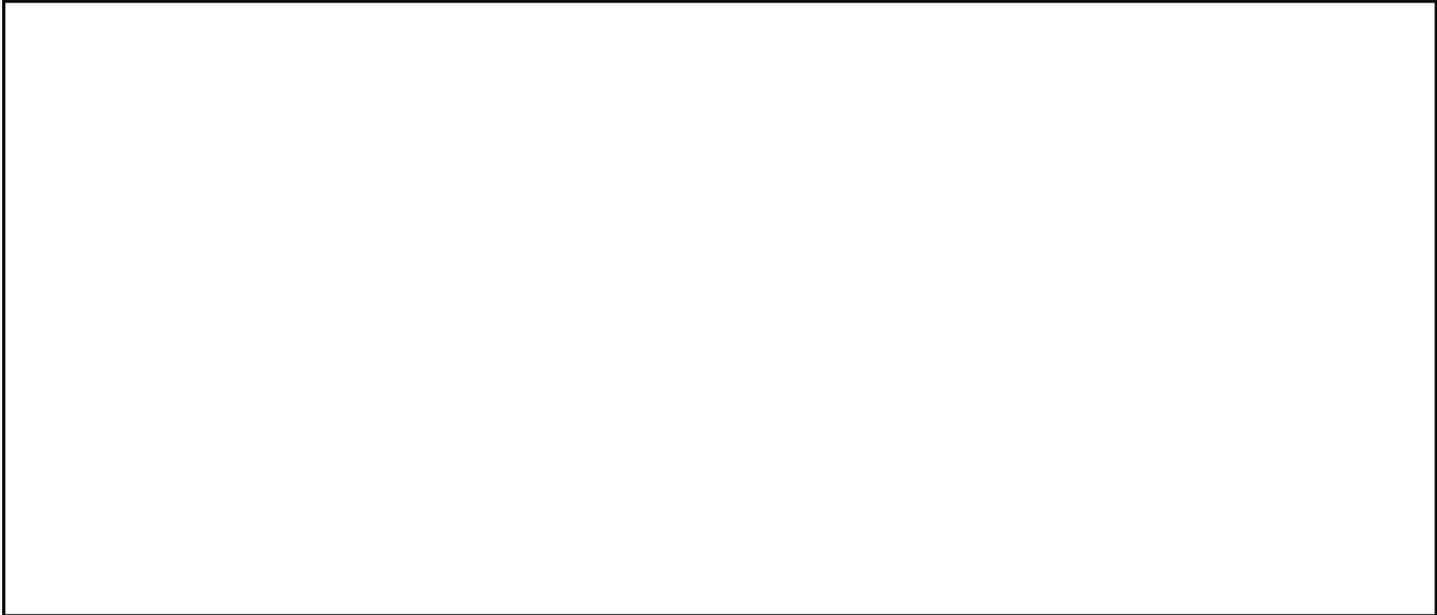
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GENERAL CABELL:

a. Referred to the CIA weekly publication of covert actions, and suggested that the President might be interested in reading selected

excerpts therefrom. The Director commented that he thought initially this should be handled through General Taylor and that this publication should be sent to Tom Parrott. Action: DD/P

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MR. HELMS:

Noted that since Chester Cooper has been on TDY in [] the Sino/Soviet Task Force has not been active insofar as providing covert annexes, and asked DD/I if a temporary chairman could be appointed to replace Cooper in order that the activities of this task force could be resumed in full. The DD/I agreed and stated [] would be the man.

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COLONEL WHITE:

Reported that the Bureau of the Budget has strongly recommended that employees of State, USIA, ICA, and CIA traveling to Europe take advantage of the economy flights, particularly in view of the fact that most air travel on the North Atlantic run is by jet, therefore reducing time in flight. He said a quick check had indicated that if CIA agrees, it will save the Agency about [] per annum. The Director approved.

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