

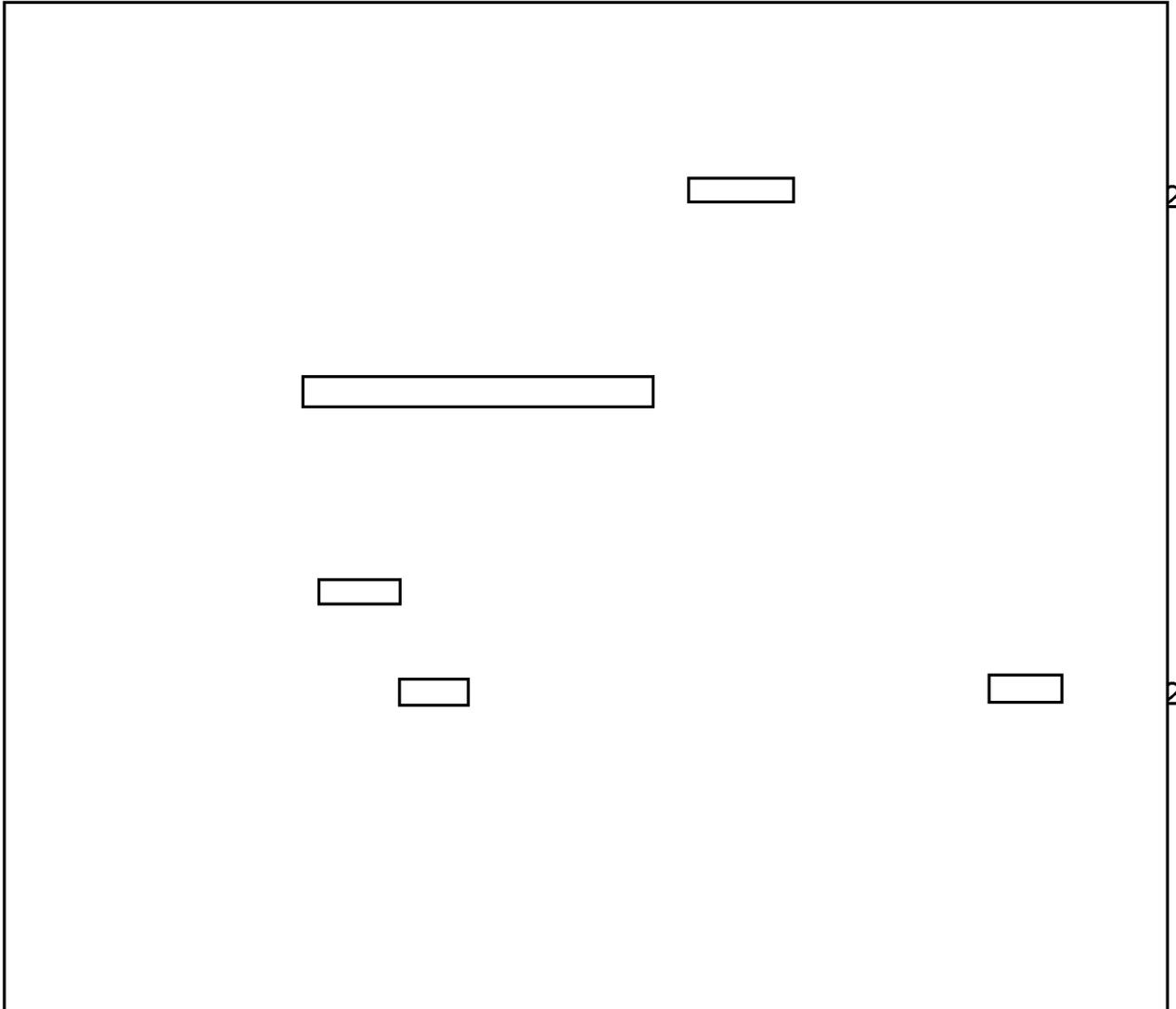
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24 May 1961

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:



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c. Noted that Mr. Robert Lovett, while a member of the President's Board of Consultants on Foreign Intelligence Activities,

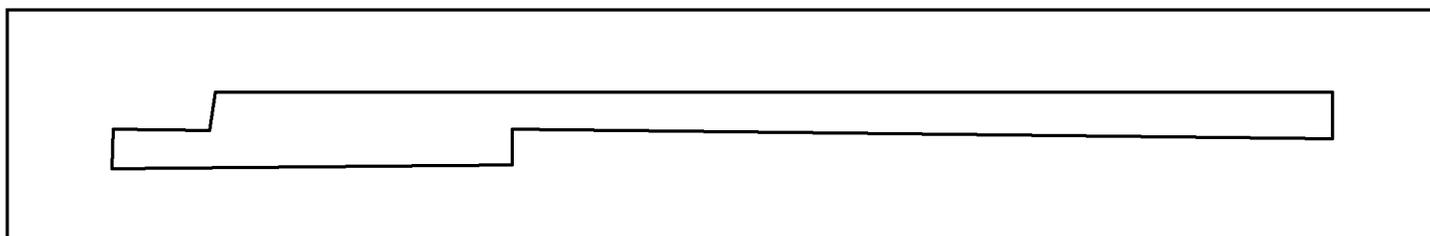
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had made a trip in 1956 and apparently wrote a report which had been seen by the Attorney General. Mr. Kirkpatrick stated we had never received a copy and in fact if other Board members had made reports of trips, copies had not been furnished to CIA. The Director said nevertheless Mr. Lovett had testified before the Taylor Committee that CIA had purchased a [] gift for one of []'s wives and that the gift "was made in Russia." This information, according to Lovett, was picked up during the above-mentioned trip. Neither Messrs. Bissell, Helms, or Barnes knew anything about this matter and Mr. Helms undertook to find out the facts.

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e. Noted a cable from the Chief of Station, [] regarding Ambassador [] non-cooperative attitude toward CIA activities in [] and Mr. Bissell commented that he and Jim Critchfield plan to discuss this problem with Mr. Talbot in State tomorrow. Mr. Helms noted that [] Chief of Station, plans to return to the U. S. during Ambassador [] visit here in the near future.

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f. Noted that the IG had prepared a regular quarterly report to the President's Board of Consultants on Foreign Intelligence Activities on CIA activities and, after considerable discussion, it was agreed to delay forwarding this report until at least after the meeting with the new board now scheduled for Friday, 26 May. The Director said he was inclined to hold up the report indefinitely or at least until such time as we find out the wishes of the new board. In the meantime, the report was given to General Cabell to read.

g. Referred to Senator Fulbright's letter and his proposed joint resolution for the establishment of a joint Congressional committee on CIA, and after some discussion it was agreed no further changes would be made at the moment in the draft reply until Mr. Kirkpatrick has had an opportunity to discuss it with Mr. Feldman of the White House and the Bureau of the Budget.

GENERAL CABELL:

Reported on a conversation he had yesterday with Messrs. Macy and Ecker of the Bureau of the Budget, and Colonel White and Messrs. Kirkpatrick and Saunders of CIA, regarding Agency trends in its activities over a period of the next 2-3 years. Note: Mr. Saunders is preparing a full memorandum for the record.

MR. KENT:

Briefly reported on his trip to South America and suggested certain actions that might be taken to improve the intelligence coverage of this area. The Director asked Dr. Kent to put his recommendations in the form of a memorandum and forward them to the DD/P, noting that he too would like to see a copy of Dr. Kent's report.



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