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15 March 1960

DEPUTIES' MEETING

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

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MR. DULLES:

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b. Noted that CI Staff had prepared a short paper for him in connection with his talk before the Edmund A. Walsh School of Foreign Service on the subject of Soviet instructions to the Communist parties. He said while this piece was short (since there had not been much time), he found it most interesting and believed a more detailed treatment would be interesting and useful. Action: DD/P in coordination with DD/I

c. Asked that appropriate field stations be alerted to report any information obtained on shipment of arms to Cuba. *Action DD/P*

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to Lewis Jones in the Department of State.

e. Noted he was concerned about the situation in Southern Viet Nam, and commented it might be worthwhile if Colonel Lansdale would pay a visit to President Diem. General Cabell suggested that such a visit should be made "at the request" of Diem rather than Lansdale appearing on the scene to conduct a survey of the U. S. aid program to Viet Nam or any other trumped up reason for his calling on Diem.

f. Noted he would like to have a report on subversive activities being carried on by the Cubans and other Latin American and Caribbean nations. Action: DD/P and DD/I

g. Noted that Secretary Herter had asked whether or not there was any of the take from AQUATONE that might have been verified from clandestine or other sources, or even fictionally, which could be used at the disarmament conference. It was Secretary Herter's thought that if such is the case, it would be a most useful tool in our discussions with the Soviets. Action: DD/P and DD/I ( [redacted] and Ting Sheldon)

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h. Noted he is still concerned with the wording of our contract negotiations with [redacted] and said he felt the time had come when we should obtain the services of a cleared corporation lawyer who would spend his complete time on this problem. Action: DD/S

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MR. AMORY:

Reported that he had come to the decision that Soviet production of ICBM's cannot be solved by research alone and therefore he had co-located some of his missile people from ORR and OSI, establishing them as a task force under the supervision of [redacted]. He said this composite group would draw from all sources. General Cabell commented that consideration should be given as to community participation in this program and the Director suggested that after this group has been organized, it might be well to report on its activities to USIB. Mr. Amory also noted that this task force would be under the general supervision of himself and Messrs. Sheldon, Scoville, and Guthe.

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