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29 July 1959

DEPUTIES' MEETING

Present: Mr. Dulles, General Cabell, Colonel White, Mr. Helms,  
Mr. Sheldon, Dr. Kent, [redacted]

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MR. DULLES:

a. Referred to a proposed political action project [redacted] and commented that in his opinion this was way too expensive since in fact it amounted to about [redacted] Mr. Helms commented he had gone into this program at some length and had found

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[redacted] Those present agreed and Mr. Helms undertook to look into this problem and furnish the Director recommendations for CIA participation -- if any.

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b. Referred to the Vice President's report of his six-hour interview with Mr. Khrushchev and noted there was a good deal of information contained therein which should be disseminated to the intelligence community. He said, however, it was his opinion that there was not a great deal of urgency to do so and believed it would be well to wait "a day or two" and consider at that time what should be done.

MR. HELMS:

Stated that Sherman Hoar had expressed concern about the Jackson Subcommittee investigation of the NSC, particularly what would be the role of the working members of the NSC and OCB staffs. He said he felt Mr. Hoar was unduly exercised; however, some guidance would be helpful. The Director commented that at the moment it was not known exactly how far the subcommittee would go and it would have to be played by ear for the time being. He noted that should Mr. Hoar hear any rumors that staff personnel of the NSC

and OCB are to be called to appear before the committee, he would like to know about this immediately.

COLONEL WHITE:

a. Referred to the offer by the FBI academy at Quantico to provide training for CIA personnel, and stated he had discussed this with the Directors of Security and Training. He said the type training offered was of the bodyguard type and while we had no particular need for such training at the present time, it would be borne in mind should the occasion arise. Note: The FBI has been informed and our appreciation expressed.

b. Referred to the Director's conversation with Assistant Secretary of Defense Perkins McGuire during the Secretaries Conference at Quantico regarding speed-up of communications utilizing present equipment and suggested that  follow this up with Mr. McGuire. The Director approved.

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Noted he had received a request from Pat Coyne, newly appointed Staff Director of the President's Board of Consultants on Foreign Intelligence Activities, for a briefing. The Director commented that Coyne should be advised "the door is open" and we would provide briefings on any and all activities he desired.

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