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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

AGENDA

For the Meeting to be held in the
Conference Room of The White House,
on Thursday, April 7, 1949, at 2:30 p.m.

ITEM FOR CONSIDERATION

ITEM 1 -- THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY AND NATIONAL
ORGANIZATION FOR INTELLIGENCE
(Memos for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject,
dated January 24, March 2, March 8, and April 4, 1949,
respectively)

For consideration, pursuant to NSC Action No. 189,
of the basic issues involved in the reference papers
on the subject, as summarized by the Department of
State in the enclosure to the reference memorandum
of April 4, 1949.

ITEM FOR INFORMATION

ITEM 2 -- STATUS OF PROJECTS

The Status of NSC Projects as of April 4, 1949,
will be circulated on that date for the information
of the Council.

State Dept. review completed

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April 4, 1949

MEMORANDUM FOR THE NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

SUBJECT: The Central Intelligence Agency and National Organization for Intelligence

REFERENCES: A. Memos for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated January 24, March 2, and March 8, 1949
B. NSC Action No. 198

Pursuant to Reference B, the enclosed memorandum by the Under Secretary of State on the subject, comprising a statement of the basic issues raised by the Dulles-Jackson-Correa report, is submitted herewith for consideration by the National Security Council at its next meeting on Thursday, April 7, 1949.

SIDNEY W. SOUERS
Executive Secretary

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THE SECRETARY OF STATE
WASHINGTON

April 4, 1949

MEMORANDUM FOR MR. SIDNEY W. SOUERS,
EXECUTIVE SECRETARY, NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

Pursuant to NSC Action No. 198 and your memorandum dated March 23, 1949, the Department of State considers that the following are the basic issues raised by the Dulles-Jackson-Correa report:

1. That the Central Intelligence Agency is properly placed in the governmental structure under the National Security Council. +

2. That the Intelligence Advisory Committee is soundly conceived and that its present advisory relationship to the Director of Central Intelligence is correct, but that the IAC should participate more actively with the Director of Central Intelligence in the continuing coordination of intelligence activities and in the production of finished estimates. +
Four positive results

a. With respect to coordination of intelligence activities, the allocation of responsibilities among the agencies should be carried out under the forthright leadership of CIA.

b. With respect to the production of estimates for the President and the National Security Council, CIA should utilize the facilities of the IAC members who should assume collective responsibility for them.

3. That in order to improve coordination in the overall intelligence and security field, the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation should be made a member of the IAC. ?

4. That secret operations should be integrated with secret intelligence and domestic exploitation of foreign intelligence in a single self-administered office within CIA, rather than being a separate office directly under the Director of Central Intelligence independent of but coordinated with other components of CIA. } *regular system*
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5. That the Director of Central Intelligence should be a civilian and that the President should be invited to give his early consideration to a person of considerable stature and prominence, possessing the requisite qualifications of experience and willingness to serve.

/s/ JAMES E. WEBB

Under Secretary

NSC ACTION 198

State Department to prepare for Council consideration
at an early meeting a Statement of Issues involved in
the Dulles Report.

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