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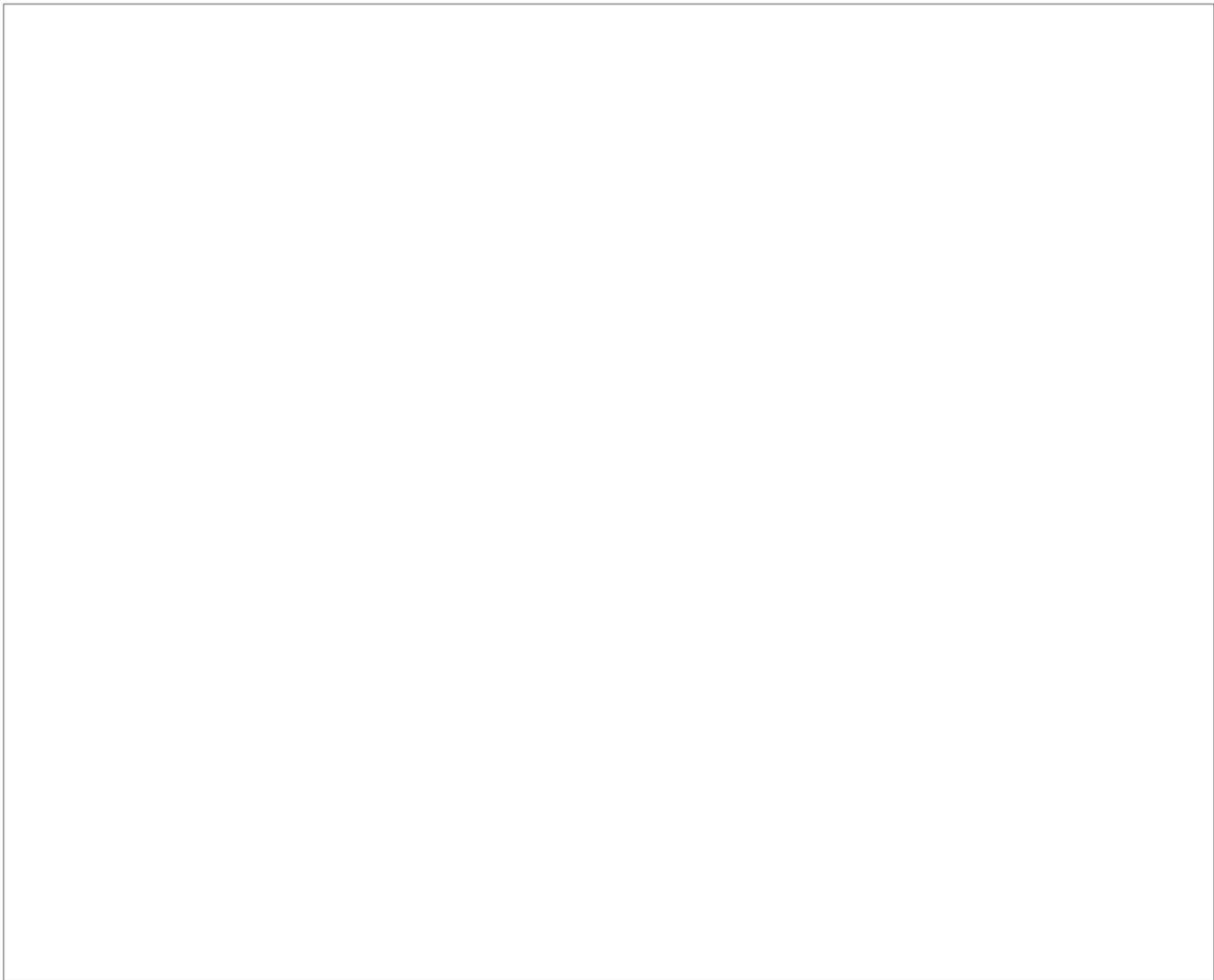
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29 July 1959

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Resume of OCB Luncheon Meeting, 29 July 1959

PRESENT: Mr. Dulles, Mr. Gray, Mr. Harr, Mr. McCone,
Mr. Murphy, Mr. Riddleberger, Mr. Scribner,
Mr. Washburn, Mr. Smith



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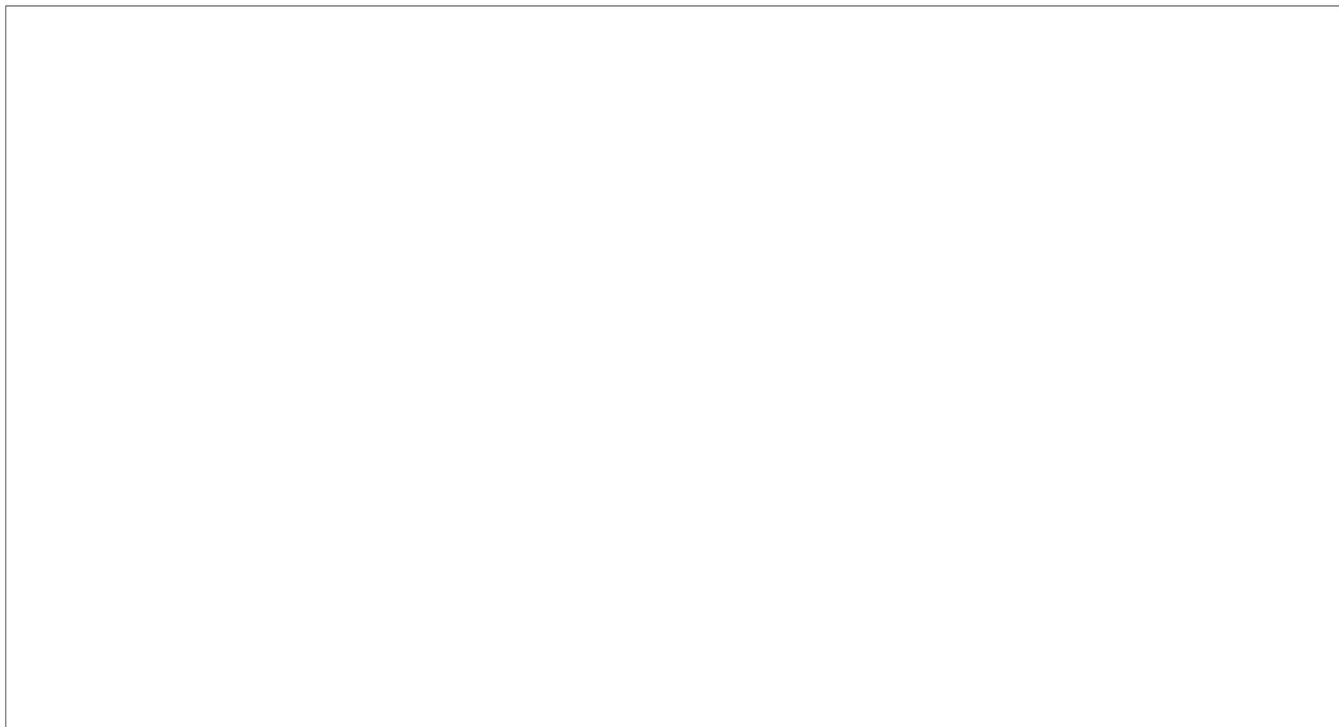
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4. American National Exhibition in Moscow

The next subject discussed was the stealing of books from the American Exhibition in Moscow and the removal of a number of books by Soviet authorities. A question was raised as to whether the books stolen could or should be replaced. The DCI commented that should this be attempted and should the Soviets become aware of it, they could undoubtedly turn the situation into a losing game for us by continuing to have as many books stolen as we were able to replace.

There was some discussion as to what books actually were removed by Soviet authorities, since the Embassy cable and published news reports do not entirely jibe on this point. Mr. Washburn agreed to secure an accurate list. Mr. Dulles also questioned whether some of the books listed as having been removed might not, in fact, have been unwisely selected in that they would be bound to give offense to the Soviets.

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