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DIRECTOR'S STAFF MEETING

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Tuesday, 8 May 1951

Mr. Jackson asked if we had received a reply from Mr. Lovett in regard to our memorandum on NIE's. The Director stated that we had received no reply and did not expect one. He also mentioned that there had been a question of whether G-2, the JCS or [] had forwarded NIE's to MacArthur.

Mr. Dulles read a letter from General Marshall addressed to the Director on the subject of guerrilla operations in []. The letter with attached memorandum will be sent to Mr. Wisner for comment and then discussed with the Director by Mr. Dulles.

Mr. Dulles believes that we should have further affirmation of our mandate under NSC 26. There is a question as to whether CIA should execute the mission. Mr. Dulles is preparing a memorandum on this subject for circulation to the NSC. The Director believes that we must make up our own minds as to whether we look to State or Justice for guidance in relation to protection against future damage suits.

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DCI's, 8 May (contd.)

The Director suggested that in answering Mr. Hoover's letter on the IIC, Mr. Dulles say something that would approximate the following: "The results are too important for us to quibble about media of exchange or details of protocol. In dealing with foreigners there must be reciprocity and we must furnish them with information if we desire to receive any." The Director suggested that Mr. Hoover should be advised to make his own foreign contacts.

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