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Deputies' Meeting

HR70-14

Wednesday, 20 August 1952

PRESENT: General Smith, Messrs. Dulles, Wisner, Wolf, Becker, Earman

General Smith:

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a. Noted the item in today's Log concerning a CE analysis of key individuals connected with [redacted] and asked if the case officer handling this problem was well qualified to do so. Mr. Wisner stated that he was capable and noted that Gen. Donovan had been given a short note in connection with [redacted]

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b. Noted a cable received this date from the Senior Representative in [redacted] giving his most current estimate of the situation there.

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Mr. Dulles:

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c. Reported that he had discussed the defector situation in East Germany with Dr. Craig and Mr. Edward Taylor of PSB [redacted]

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Mr. Dulles (Cont'd.)

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Mr. Wolf:

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a. Noted that he had received information that the Secretary of Defense had forwarded a letter to the Bureau of the Budget requesting Budget approval that all officers of the Armed Forces assigned to duties outside the Department of Defense be made on a reimbursable basis; however, he still intended to discuss this matter with Acting Secretary <sup>OF THE ARMY</sup> Korth as directed by the DCI. The Director stated that he did not intend to reimburse Defense for all officers assigned to this Agency since a number of them were performing duties in implementation of projects and/or requirements requested by the several Defense agencies and, further, he still desired the authority to make spot promotions of officers assigned to this Agency. In this connection, he noted that he had discussed the assignment of Gen. Balmer with Gen. McAuliffe and had received his approval.

Mr. Wisner:

a. Referred to a cable from [ ] wherein it was noted that morale was deteriorating among the personnel assigned to this project due to Agency regulations which prohibited a month's home leave each year and, in particular, this referred to the people assigned to duty [ ] The Director approved the leave requested and stated that these people should receive extra pay, if possible.

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