

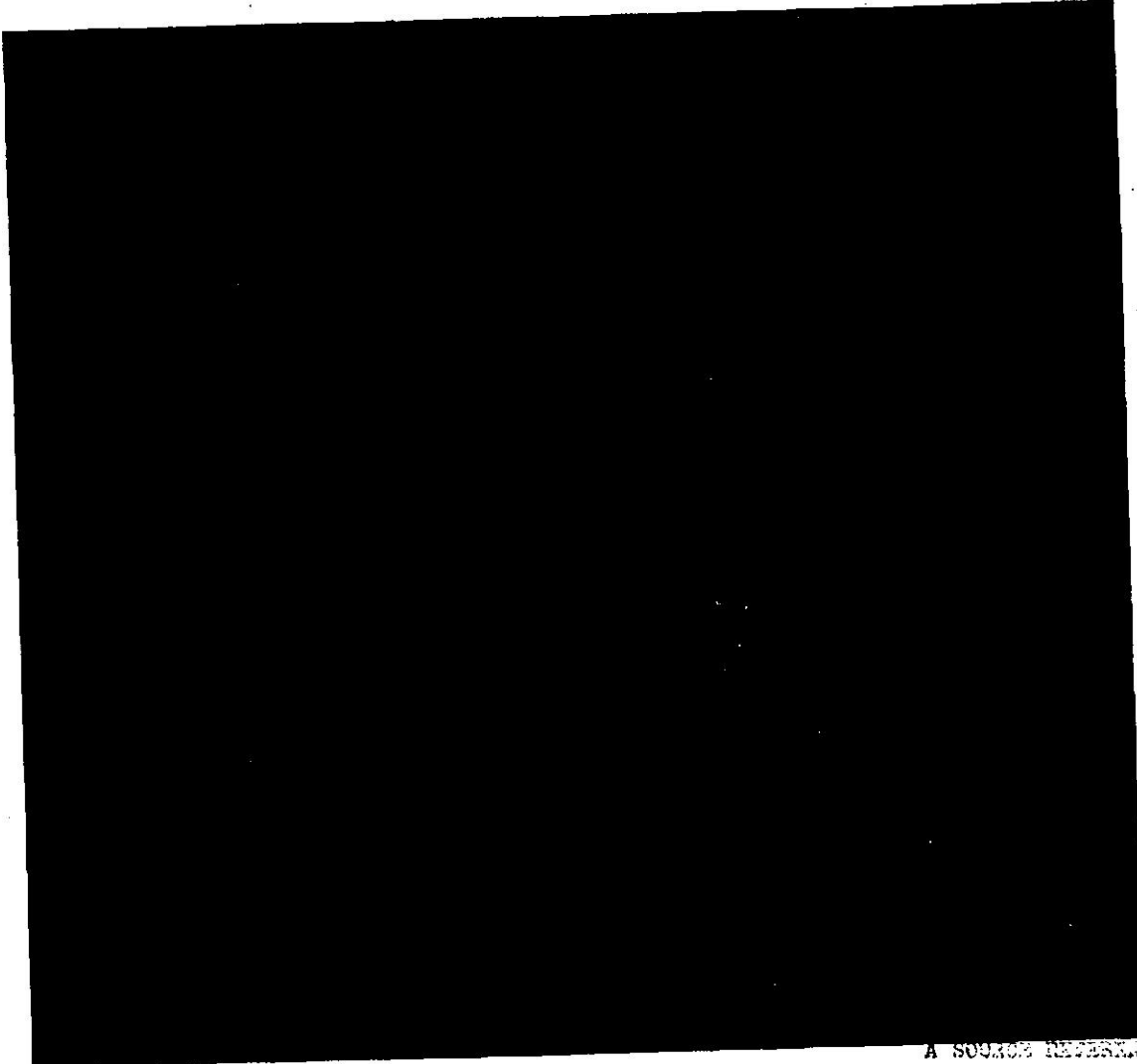
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MEMORANDUM FOR RECORD

SUBJECT: Minutes of Special Group Meeting, 31 August 1961

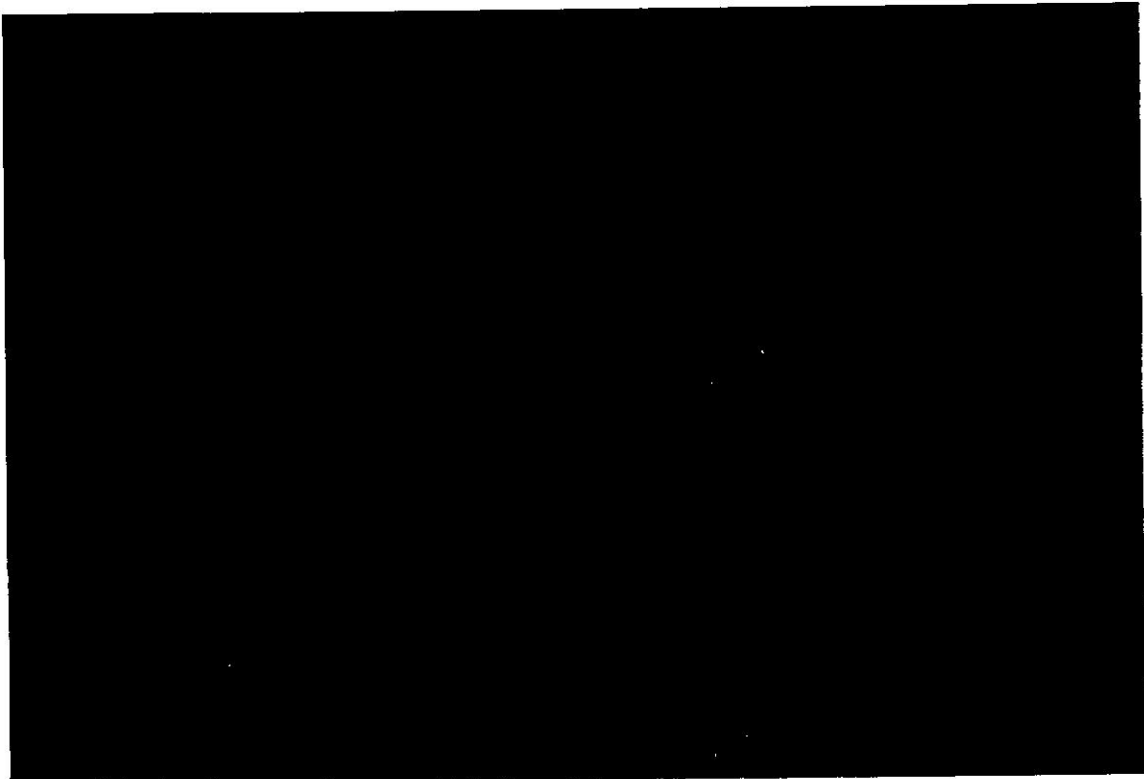
PRESENT: General Taylor, Mr. Johnson, Mr. Dulles, General Lansdale

Mr. Barnes was present for the first two items.



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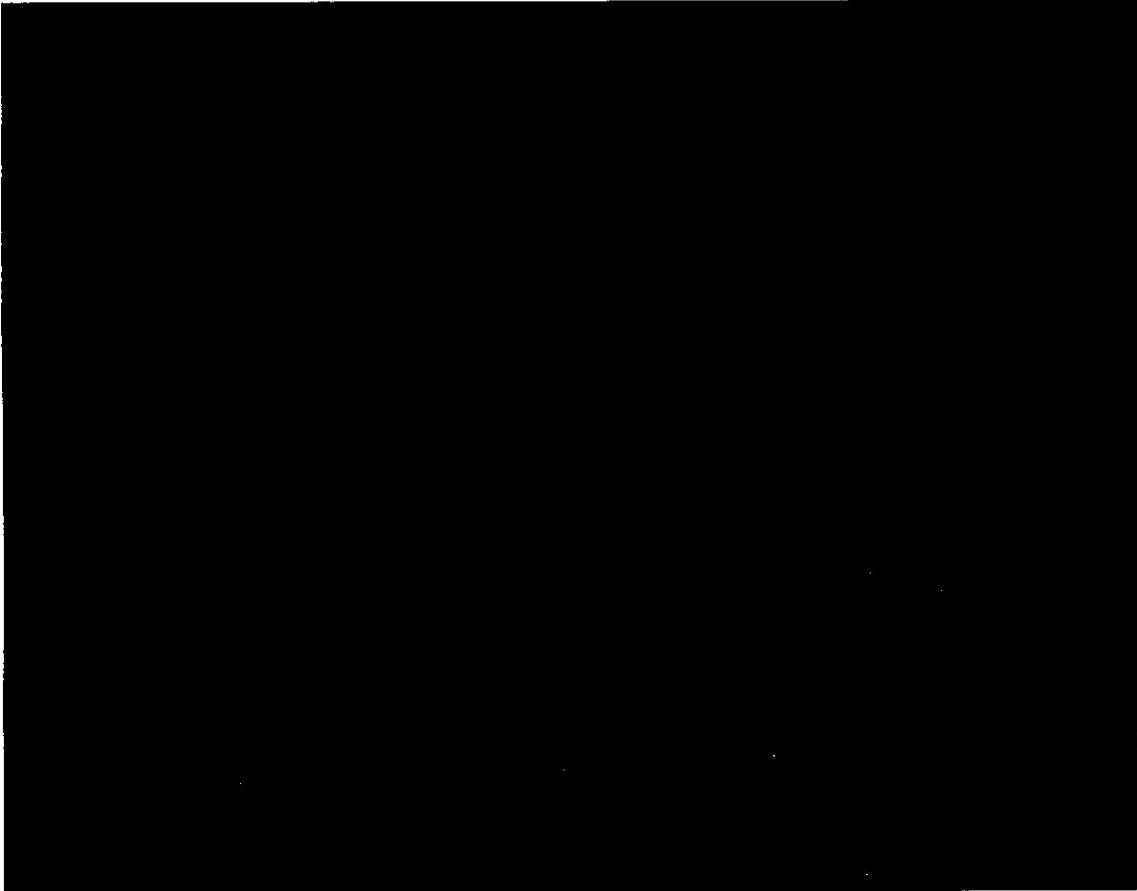
✓6. Berlin Progress Report

The Group noted the report of the Special Working Group on Berlin, with respect to covert operations.

Mr. Johnson commented that while the actions taken by the Working Group were good in themselves, it appears that these endeavors are perhaps not getting very deep beneath the surface. He suggested, and the other members agreed, that it is now time to consider matters of greater overall significance. He spoke, for example, of possibilities of covert action directed against the Soviets and the Satellites.

It was agreed that State and CIA would examine these possibilities and be prepared to report on them at next week's meeting.





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