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7. CLOSER LIAISON BETWEEN DD/P AND DD/I

We have no objection to closer liaison with representatives of the DD/I if closer liaison will contribute to the common effort. Area Division Chiefs and other senior officers of the CS are prepared to meet with representatives of the Board of Estimates, OCI and other components of the DD/I to review critical situations or important questions on intelligence information. However, we doubt that regular biweekly or monthly meetings would be of sufficient value to justify the time demanded of very busy people. Although crises are frequent they do not occur regularly. We prefer to hold such meetings only when either side believes that a particular situation calls for discussion and an exchange of information.

We agree that regular weekly or biweekly meetings of the Chief Reports Officer in each division and his opposite number in OCI might prove of mutual benefit. The flow of intelligence information and the need for it are continuous so there will always be something of interest to discuss. We are prepared to undertake this liaison when it is convenient for OCI.