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24 July 1963

UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD

Minutes of
Two-hundred-eightieth Meeting
United States Intelligence Board
USIB Conference Room
Central Intelligence Agency, at 1030 hours, 24 July 1963

Director of Central Intelligence
John A. McCone
Presiding

MEMBERS PRESENT

Mr. Ray S. Cline, Deputy Director (Intelligence), Central Intelligence Agency,
acting for Deputy Director of Central Intelligence
Mr. George C. Denney, Jr., Acting Director of Intelligence and Research,
Department of State
Lieutenant General Joseph F. Carroll, Director, Defense Intelligence
Agency
Major General Alva R. Fitch, Assistant Chief of Staff for Intelligence,
Department of the Army
Rear Admiral Rufus L. Taylor, Assistant Chief of Naval Operations
(Intelligence), Department of the Navy
Brigadier General Jack E. Thomas, Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence
United States Air Force
Dr. Louis W. Tordella, Acting Director, National Security Agency
Mr. George B. Pleat, acting for Atomic Energy Commission representative
to USIB
Mr. Alan H. Belmont, Federal Bureau of Investigation representative to
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1. Approval of Minutes
17 July Meeting
(USIB-M-279, including Annex
distributed through special
channels)

Approved as circulated.

2. Watch Committee Report
No. 674

Approved as amended.

3. USIB-D-41.14/55, 19 July 1963
(Limited distribution; response
to paragraph 1. c. of USIB-D-
41.14/53)

(An account of the USIB discussion on this matter is contained in
USIB-D-41.14/56, limited distribution through restricted channels.)

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5. Communist China's Advanced
Weapons Program
(SNIE 13-2-63)

USIB: Subsequent to a discussion of tabled change sheets on the subject,

- a. Approved the subject SNIE as amended.
- b. Noted that the Board of National Estimates would review the paper to determine if it could be downgraded from Top Secret to Secret.*
- c. Agreed that the State member should apprise the Director, USIA of the substance of the estimate, with the understanding that, if the latter requests any further distribution in USIA, the USIB will have to consider and act upon any such request.
- d. Approved release of this estimate to the Joint Committee on Atomic Energy. *#*

Executive Session

The Chairman convened the Board in Executive Session at 1200, during which a number of matters were discussed, including the following:

*SNIE 13-2-63 was subsequently downgraded to Secret.

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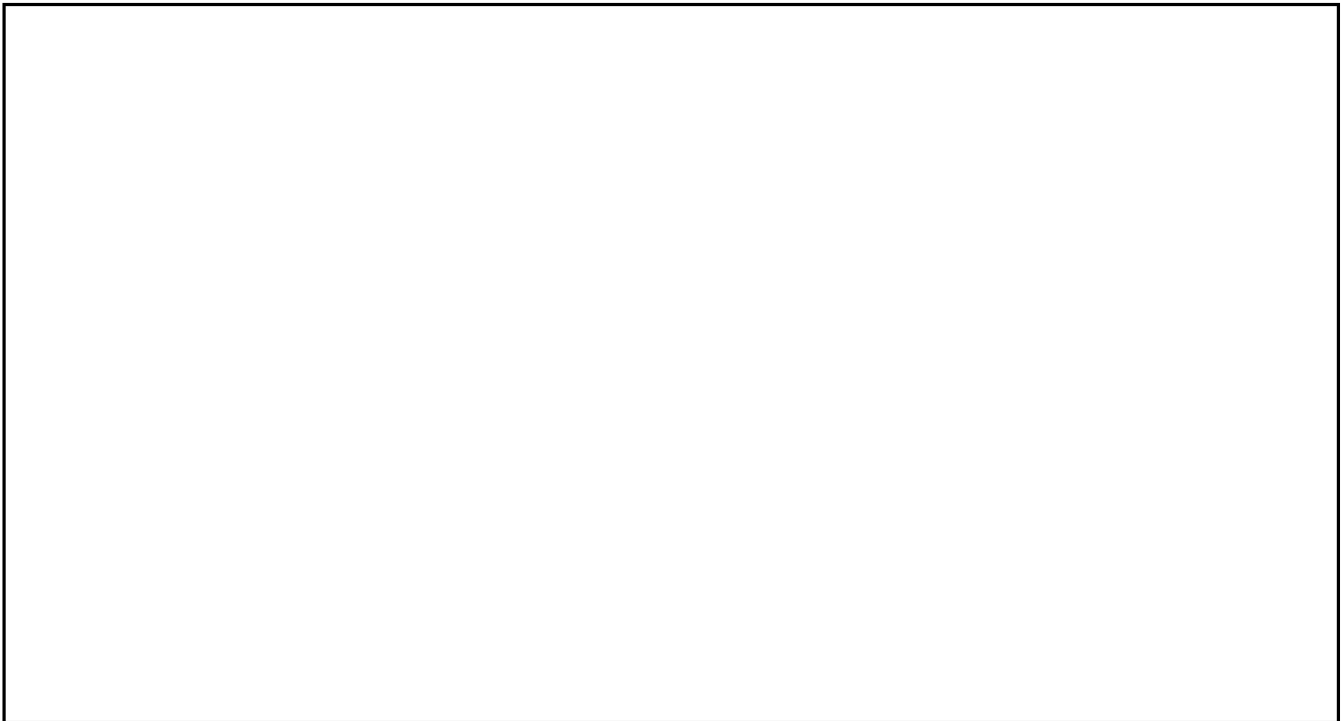
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6. USIB-S-29.11/6, 23 July
(Limited distribution through
special channels)

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the Special Annex to these minutes.)

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9. Oral Report by the
Acting NSA Member

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minutes.)

Adjournment: 1250



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SECRETARY'S NOTE

CIA Memorandum on "The
Situation in Haiti", 22 July
(USIB-M-277, 2 July 1963,
item 2)

In response to the requirement contained in the reference, CIA circulated an advance copy of a memorandum on the subject to USIB members, noting that the paper will be published on 26 July with the Current Intelligence Weekly as a "Special Report".

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