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1. At the Deputies' Meeting Mr. Dulles complained again about slow pouch service...this time from [REDACTED] I think that no action on our part is necessary, but this is a subject which will come up again and again unless everybody concerned does everything possible to improve it.

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2. [REDACTED] raised the question of the TSS budget, pointing out that TSS had submitted a program calling for funds substantially in excess of those finally allotted by the Deputy Director (Plans). I suggested that inasmuch as the Project Review Committee had already indorsed the program this was something on which the Deputy Director (Plans) and the Deputy Director (Support) should make a policy recommendation to the Director. This was agreed and I have directed [REDACTED] to get the ball rolling on the matter.

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3. I briefed those at the Meeting on my activities in [REDACTED] with particular emphasis on the situation involving the [REDACTED] project. Mr. Dulles raised the question as to whether we really needed this base and was reassured by Messrs. [REDACTED] and Kirkpatrick that we did.

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4. Larry Houston asked permission on behalf of [REDACTED] to rent a larger office for CAT which would increase the rental expenditure for that organization from \$300 to about \$600 per month. I approved.

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5. Harry Reynolds telephoned to say he felt strongly that the Office of Personnel should be included in [REDACTED] "Code of Conduct" paper which is en route to me. I told him that I would consider his position when I got the paper.

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6. Met with Messrs. Garrison, [REDACTED] and Lloyd to be brought up to date on the status of planning for the proposed new building. We have scheduled a meeting of the Agency Steering Committee for 11:30 a.m. on Tuesday.

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7. Reviewed with Messrs. [REDACTED] Lloyd, and [REDACTED] a number of changes proposed for "administrative" personnel but asked that they be considered by the current Board before any final decisions were made.

8. Telephoned Bob Macy and asked him to insure that the Bureau of the Budget took no action on GSA's position involving the building without hearing our side of the story.

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9. Lunched with General Cabell, Lyman Kirkpatrick, Harry Reynolds, Matt Baird, [REDACTED] to discuss the Public Service Aid Society, our charitable foundation. It was agreed that we should solicit from within the Agency but not until after the first of the year. If we need money from the outside [REDACTED] feels very strongly that we can get quite a lot. Others, including [REDACTED] are not so optimistic. A new Board was selected of which [REDACTED] is the Director, Harry Reynolds the Secretary-Treasurer, and members include [REDACTED], [REDACTED] Matt Baird, [REDACTED] and possibly others. I assume that I shall get detailed Minutes of the meeting later.

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10. At the Deputies' Meeting Mr. Dulles said that the National Security Council had had a meeting to discuss whether or not there were any urgent matters which would require the President taking specific action within the next few months. It was generally concluded that CIA would not require much of the President's time. However, the question of abolishing the Planning Coordination Group was uncertain and Mr. Dulles indicated that he would have Wayne [REDACTED] explore this further. The question of closing the [REDACTED] was discussed in some detail. Mr. Dulles feels very strongly that we should hold on until the bitter end. It is questionable, however, whether the Department of State will adhere to this point of view.

11. Mr. Dulles expressed again his unhappiness about the fact that many of our people have been at foreign field stations for considerable periods of time and have not bothered to learn the native languages. In this case he referred specifically to [REDACTED] who has been in [REDACTED] for a long time but who, apparently, does not know his way around too well because he cannot speak [REDACTED]

12. On the lighter side, General Cabell reported that Dun and Bradstreet had given a financial report to a client on CAT and that the Dun and Bradstreet man had speculated that the Rockefeller money was really behind CAT. General Cabell was seeing [REDACTED] at 10:45 a.m. I must ask him the outcome of this meeting.

13. General Cabell raised the question of whether a seventy year old lady should be retained on our roles or retired. Mr. Dulles asked me to explore it. Harry Reynolds says it is mandatory for her to retire; however, the General Counsel is checking this further. There may be a loophole, and I believe that General Cabell would like to keep this lady (Miss [REDACTED] of the USCIB Secretariat) on for at least one year.

14. [REDACTED] telephoned to alert me to the fact that Mr. Beebe (Secretary-Treasurer, I believe, of WAEPA) is trying seriously to lay a plan to tie

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up the surplus in WAEPA. WAEPA now has a new President, Mr. William Shepherd, Acting Deputy Director for Management of the International Cooperation Administration, and a new Vice-President by the name of Parsons. In order that we might control this surplus, or at least not have it slip away from us without our knowing it, John suggests that I call Mr. Shepherd and ask him if we can have at least one CIA member on the Board. H

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15. Gates Lloyd has picked up information, which [REDACTED] confirmed, to the effect that a paper (approved by [REDACTED] has been written in the FE Division and is now with Frank Wisner which would propose that we not use [REDACTED] for our [REDACTED]. I must get into this act inasmuch as we would have a serious problem on our hands if after having spent \$5,000,000 for construction we do not use it. H

16. There is a CAT Board Meeting in New York on 10 October.

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17. Mr. Dulles buzzed me to say that Andy Goodpasture had telephoned him with regard to the installation of a set of our secure communications equipment at the White House. I advised [REDACTED] who said that he and Colonel McNally of the White House Staff had the situation under control and that it involved a four-unit switchboard which would connect the following offices: The White House; the Secretary of State; the Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff; and the Director of Central Intelligence. They hope to get it set up next week and I have advised Andy Goodpasture accordingly.

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18. Met with [REDACTED] to discuss the presentation to be made on Monday evening to the Reserve Officers. He left with me a proposed outline. I called Jim Garrison and told him to at least approve of what [REDACTED] was going to say and stated that I thought it might be advisable for him to make the presentation himself.

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