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DIARY NOTES

17 October 1960

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1. At the Deputies' Meeting this morning:

a. The Director requested that we start preparing now for a series of briefings which will be necessary when the new Administration takes over in January. As far as DD/S is concerned he wants a briefing sheet or two on each DD/S office. They should be prepared in a way that the Director can use them inasmuch as he will in all probability be the individual doing most of the briefing.

b. The Director mentioned that he had received a number of letters asking for information about the payments which Francis Powers would receive while he is in prison. He advised everyone that Powers would receive "what he is legally entitled to;" however, he wanted to see the contract and to be briefed on exactly what Powers' entitlements are. (I have asked Larry Houston to do this.)

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2. I attended the Director's Luncheon for the Personnel Consultants. In this connection, it is my impression that we are not handling these consultants in a way that produces maximum results. There is too much routine on the agenda and, in fact, some of the items make one wonder if they didn't have a great deal of trouble filling up the two-day program. I want to talk to Emmett Echols about this when the program is over, and next year I would like to participate personally in the arrangements for this program and make sure that it is done well and that all of the arrangements including the luncheon guest list are made well in advance. H

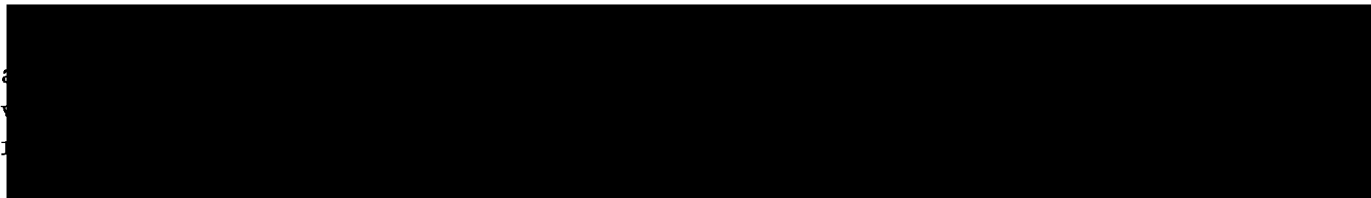
3. I talked to General Cabell about Lyman Kirkpatrick's memorandum recommending that the Director of Security submit a semi-annual written report on all security problem cases. I told him that Shef and I were reluctant to put this report in writing for rather intangible reasons. We merely have a feeling that to do so might expose these cases to individuals who do not need to know and that as a minimum it may limit our flexibility and room for maneuver in the future. General Cabell said he agreed with this point of view and asked me to raise this matter again when Lyman returns from his trip.

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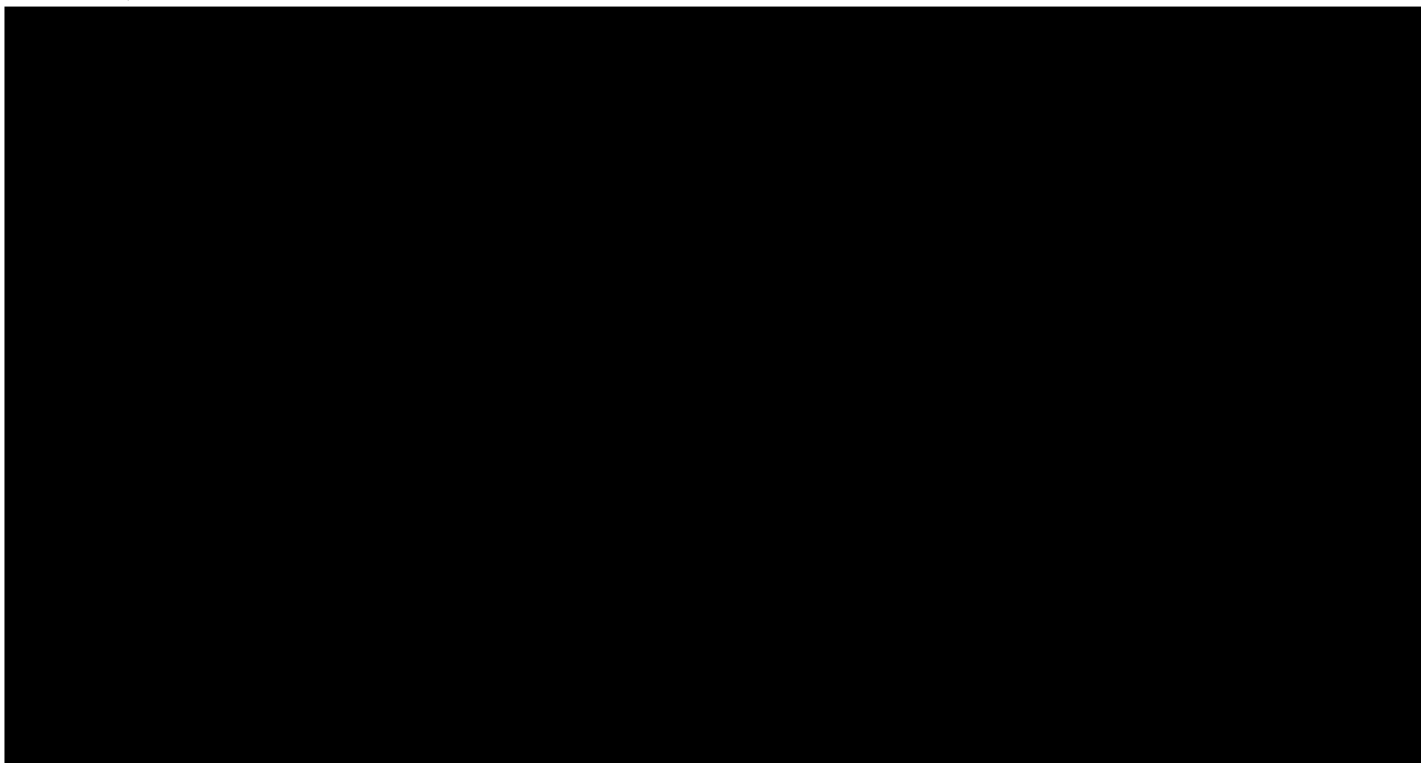
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5. Ed Saunders also advised me that Ben Ellington of the Bureau of the Budget had queried as to why we could not do some [redacted] out of Fiscal Year 1961 savings and thereby reduce the \$6 million we requested in the Fiscal Year 1962 Budget. I told him to tell Ben that if we actually had any savings during Fiscal Year 1961 we would like to do this but that we could not plan on it at this point in time and, in fact, would not know until sometime late in the fourth quarter.

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7. Also at the Deputies' Meeting this morning there was a brief conversation between Dick Bissell and the Director concerning the possibility of employing Mr. [redacted]. Apparently, Dick is not too enthusiastic about the long-range possibilities; however, the Director seems to feel very strongly that we should employ Mr. [redacted] and I assume that this will be done.

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