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SUGGESTIONS FOR CONSIDERATION BY THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL

INTELLIGENCE FOR INCORPORATION IN HIS CLOSING REMARKS

AT PROJECT USEFUL ON FRIDAY, 7 NOVEMBER 1958

23 October 1958
AT 1100
FROM 1200 TO 1300 HOURS

1. Review: General Cabell, ~~our four deputy directors~~, and 28

senior officers
~~other responsible officials~~ of the several components of CIA have

attempted, during the past ten days, to describe concisely the national

policy from which this Agency receives its mission; the internal organ-

ization and functions that are designed to accomplish these missions; the

inter-agency liaison and coordination that is conducted to assure the most

effective implementation and maximum productiveness; and the capabilities

and limitations of the CIA to support the military in several areas of the

world. They have attempted, in a restricted period of time, to familiarize

you with those aspects of our programs, within the *limits* ~~boundaries~~ of security,

that are of mutual interest and common concern. Our mission is threefold:

~~Collection of foreign intelligence through clandestine mechanisms -- Protection~~

~~of our operations and the nation's security through active covert counter-~~

~~intelligence programs -- and finally, assisting in the attainment of~~

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~~prescribed foreign policy objectives~~ through covert action operations

that include programs in the propaganda, psychological, political,

~~economic and paramilitary categories.~~) I believe that you, as members

of the military establishment, are most concerned with two of ^{aspect of} these

~~what you have~~ ^{described, namely,} ~~which have~~

several categories: the collection of intelligence and this Agency's

capabilities to support, by clandestine means, your operations in war-time.

Although time limitations precluded presentations in depth of the ^{specific} programs

this Agency ^{conducts} ~~prosecutes~~ in the interest of our common concern -- the

preservation of the security of the United States -- I hope that they

have been beneficial in terms of ^{giving} ~~providing~~ you ^{on} ~~with~~ increased knowledge

of the role of CIA in National Security Affairs.

To
2. Re-emphasize: Collection of foreign intelligence is not an

exclusive mission of CIA. As ^{you own organizations,} ~~you gentlemen well know,~~ the military

~~attache system, the G-2, A-2 and ONI organizations,~~ the Department of

State, and several other U. S. departments and agencies have important roles

in this vital national security operation. CIA is in constant liaison

~~the present~~ ^{which are} ~~with the~~ ^{the full} ~~several~~ departments and agencies. Our relationships have

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been amicable and productive over the years as we have ^{train} ~~striven~~, mutually,
to improve the effectiveness of our ^{intelligence programs} ~~endeavors~~. Most of you probably have
been ^{highly} ~~most~~ interested in those areas of activity undertaken by our Agency
that have to do with supporting the military in active theaters of war.
In this connection, we have responsibilities for the establishment and
maintenance of covert staybehind organizations, clandestine evasion and
escape mechanisms, and other assets that might be employed as required, and
directed, to lend covert support to the successful prosecution of the war
against the enemy. I believe that you have been given an insight into
our capabilities and ^{some of our problems} ~~limitations~~ for these tasks. We constantly hope,
within the limits of priorities and budgets, to increase our capabilities
in this vital area. Liaison on matters of common concern to the Department
of Defense and the CIA is carried on at various levels of Government,
including my personal relationships with Defense Representatives in the
Operations Coordinating Board and ^{the} NSC 5412 Representatives down to
desk-to-desk relationships of planning and operations officers. I am
happy to state that at all levels we have found these contacts to be
profitable and pleasant.

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3. War Relationships: Considerable progress has been made over the years in defining the framework in which CIA and elements of the Department of Defense would coordinate and operate in time of war. There are still some areas of this relationship that require clarification but on the whole we have made ^{good} ~~fine~~ progress and continue to move forward. An excellent ~~living~~ example of this ~~fine~~ relationship is evident ⁱⁿ ~~here~~ in ^{- in Project USEFUL.} this room. I am most impressed with the wide geographical representation which the several services have sent to the 1959 Project USEFUL. I understand that in addition to officers from several important continental commands and staffs we have with us officers from ~~Europe~~, the Pacific, ~~the Caribbean~~, ~~the Caribbean~~, and Alaska. This is a most gratifying demonstration of what we have always looked upon as a most noteworthy goal: mutuality of understanding of tasks and problems.

4. The Future: As long as Communism prevails ^{in this world} ~~on the Planet Earth~~, the people of the United States will need to have strong, efficient, effective and dedicated national security services. The ^{tasks} ~~missions~~ of CIA have increased

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tremendously during these years of Cold War and, for the foreseeable

future, probably ^{will} ~~shall~~ continue to increase. The past several months

have demonstrated clearly the added burdens that have been placed upon

~~our National Security apparatus~~ ^{our National Security apparatus} as the Communists strive to subvert and capture

free countries in various corners of the world. Our tasks ^{is clear} ~~are plain~~

and challenging. We must approach ^{it} ~~them~~ with imagination and ^{untiring} ~~tireless~~

effort.

Gentlemen, are there any questions I might be able to answer

for you?

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