

Official Diary
Acting DD/I

Wednesday, 10 December 1952

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1. At morning meeting reported that the special informal group ([redacted] Bieri and Bull) and myself had completed a first draft of the Summary Evaluation Terms of Reference and Mechanics and would submit it in 24 hours to DCI. DCI indicated that I was to go to the JCS meeting and "do most of the talking." At my suggestion, he agreed to enlarge the team to attend to include General Bull and Admiral Bieri. So informed them.

2. DCI commented acidly on Ambassador Henderson's blocking Mr. Becker's visit to Tehran [redacted] I came to the Ambassador's defense and said that [redacted] had been the "nervous Nellie" and that [redacted] and I had drafted the cable cautioning Becker as to his activities in Iran. Also pointed out that Becker's itinerary had apparently been changed to omit Iran prior to receipt of our message. DCI was not particularly mollified by this explanation.

3. Flying Saucers -- Conferred with [redacted] and [redacted] on the initial phases of examination into unexplained evidence, including today's report from Iran. They are going to ATIC, at Wright Field, with General Sanford's blessing and will have recommendations for the next stage, including a panel of approximately eight scientists and engineers, when they have completed a preliminary review of the estimates.

4. Conferred with [redacted] on our picking up [redacted] which has been working on unclassified materials of the Air Force for the past few years. Gave the project my general blessing but said that [redacted] should be the contact for preparing the project to utilize the people in our China research program.

5. Talked with [redacted] and arranged for coordination of O/CI and OIR's hasty studies on the constitutional [redacted] One [redacted] of O/RR is apparently a competent lawyer knowledgeable in this field.

6. Conferred with [redacted] who is being processed for the O/RR consultant group which meets tomorrow. Outlining the purpose of our consultant panels and explained the arrangements I had for shipping O/RR production directly to him for [redacted]

7. Attended PRC meeting.

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