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Official Diary

Friday, 5 September 1952

1. Mr. Amory spoke to me respecting the urgent need for expediting clearances of clerical personnel and I requested Mr. Wolf to see what could be done on this.

2. Chatted briefly with Mr. Dulles respecting the report on India, procured as a by-product of an operational project. I am to speak to him later on this.

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3. Mentioned to the Director, at the morning meeting, the views expressed by [redacted] respecting Papagos.

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4. At the Deputies' meeting, the DCI authorized [redacted] to retain [redacted] as PRO in place of [redacted]

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5. Checked with [redacted] on the report of probability of a revolt in Indonesia on 7 October. O/CI tended to feel that the capability for revolt was small and I so reported to the DCI.

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6. Arranged with Dr. Andrews for the dissemination of reports handed to me by [redacted]. These reports are to be retained in the ADs' offices, and I emphasized the desirability of obtaining both an evaluation of the reports and questionnaires addressed to the sources thereof.

7. Attended PRC.

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8. Mr. Amory phoned me respecting an inter-Governmental meeting having on the agenda China trade. This meeting would take place on 22 September and, therefore, it would be necessary to revise the schedule for bringing up to date EIC-1. I approved his taking action on this,

[redacted]
I was later informed that this meeting had been called off.

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9. Discussed with [redacted] the response to be made to Mr. [redacted] on CIA's position [redacted] to discuss revision of MC 33. We decided that it would be best to take no position on this point until we had clarified what CIA would be requested to do.

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10. Spoke with Col. Porter on proposed revision of MIC 15, and also about the conference referred to by Mr. Amory. I undertook to cooperate on the latter, but requested Porter to do all he could to postpone the former, in view of the status of NIEs 64 and 65.

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11. Upon receipt of a letter from [redacted] requesting me to arrange a meeting with Allen Dulles, I did so [redacted] [redacted] later cancelled his request by telegram.

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12. Discussed with Mr. Dulles the history of the [redacted] paper and confirmed that he and I had previously discussed the fact that NSRB had interested itself in this paper. Informed Mr. Dulles of the fact that [redacted] was looking into this matter.

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13. [redacted] phoned respecting an inquiry he had received from Time-Life Washington office, and I confirmed his view that CIA would furnish no information.

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14. Dr. Andrews phoned and indicated that SO or FI had classified the slot to be allocated for overt collection as number 18, rather than number 20, the latter being the designation for [redacted]. I indicated that this was unimportant, since there was no need that the overt collection be centered in [redacted].

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15. Conferred with [redacted] Kirkpatrick of State, and Price of R&DB, respecting the position to be taken by the respective agencies in the briefing of PSB on research support for psychological warfare. There was unanimous agreement that the various activities being undertaken independently by the respective agencies should be permitted to develop, before the formal attempt was made to accomplish over-all coordination. It was also felt that the respective agencies were in touch with each other and would, of their own initiative, collaborate in establishing inter-agency coordination, as soon as such a move was feasible. It was the sense of the meeting that PSB should be asked to concern itself with developing requirements, rather than attempting to coordinate. It was also felt that the same answer should be given to the suggestion that this matter be referred to the POC staff.

16. I called to the attention of the meeting referred to in the prior item the project which DCI had requested [redacted] covering Sino-Soviet relations and indicated that we would request assistance on this point. I further mentioned the [redacted] project which, after investigation,

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we would put before the IAC and make an inter-agency external research project. In connection with this last project, Mr. Kirkpatrick indicated that there were a number of studies already prepared.

17. Discussed with Mr. Reber the following:

- a. Reviewed with him our position on the POC suggestion that PW research be taken over by the POC staff.
- b. Assured Mr. Reber that O/CI was working out an appropriate means for O/RR to disseminate material in the O/CI Secret Digest to non-IAC agencies, such as Commerce.

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18. Had an extended chat with [REDACTED] respecting his views as to the needs of NED. He pointed out the present expectations with respect to the collection of AE information and the reliability that could be expected in AE estimates. In his view, [REDACTED] 25X1A9a should have an assistant relatively free of administrative duties, having as his primary function concentration on planning and evaluation. This position, as I understood it, would be analogous to the arrangement with respect to [REDACTED] in O/CI. I concur in the basic idea, but feel that the primary question is to obtain a qualified individual to occupy this slot. One alternate thought which [REDACTED] had was that such an 25X1A5a1 individual could be on my staff. We agreed to explore with various individuals the question of a man for this position.

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