

MINUTES OF THE GEOGRAPHIC RESEARCH AREA STAFF MEETING, ¹⁷ OCTOBER 1955

25X1A9a PRESENT: [REDACTED]

25X1A9a 1. [REDACTED] reported that General Cabell admonished the Assistant Directors regarding loose talk in Agency buildings about need-to-know type projects. [REDACTED] requested that the Division Chiefs please warn their personnel about this aspect of security. 25X1A9a

2. ORR is low on contributions to the Consolidated Charities Fund relative to the rest of the Agency. [REDACTED] emphasized that this fund was set up to eliminate all the other routine charity requests and that it is highly desirable to participate. Actually, most of the Geographic Area ranks very high in contributions to date. 25X1A9a

25X1A9a 3. [REDACTED] commented that the Agency wants to consider all possible suggestions concerning design of the new building. These should be sent via [REDACTED] Building Planning Staff, DD/S. 25X1A9a
25X1A9a [REDACTED] emphasized that the Agency will not present any cash awards for suggestions for new building ideas and that they should not be submitted through the Incentive Awards channels.

25X1A9a 4. [REDACTED] reported that there is a need for a brief description of IGY, primarily for briefing Reading Panel personnel. 25X1A9a
25X1A9a [REDACTED] said that he will assemble a folder of materials. [REDACTED] mentioned that a summary of Russian participation in the IGY has now become available.

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25X1A9a 6. [REDACTED] suggested to [REDACTED] that our old M-1 report on the Antarctic should be brought to the attention of Dan Clinton in the Department of State. 25X1A9a

25X1A9a 7. [REDACTED] reported on the anticipated overtime requirements of D/GL. The target materials program and the AMS tab run will probably have to be continued on overtime, requiring a probable total of 160 hours per pay period for the next year. [REDACTED] requested a memorandum on this subject outlining in detail the anticipated overtime requirements. 25X1A9a

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8. [REDACTED] commented that the Map Library plans to set up an adequate map reference facility at the Vital Storage Center, based on the general concepts developed last summer. D/GI personnel will establish and maintain the facility.

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9. [REDACTED] stated that nominations are wanted for the Harvard Advanced Management Course which begins in February and lasts until May 1956.

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10. [REDACTED] commented that [REDACTED] is back from his Area Familiarization tour and that [REDACTED] is about ready to leave Japan to continue on his tour.

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11. [REDACTED] reported that the NIS Chapter IX on the Antarctic is a bigger problem than had been anticipated but is going along well. [REDACTED] will coordinate the study.

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12. [REDACTED] reported on the meeting last week at HO regarding ice movement prediction. ONR, as a result of the Navy's problems in Arctic operations, has decided to establish a research program that will involve periodic photographing of some Arctic areas and analysis of the photography with the intent of predicting ice movements.

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13. [REDACTED] commented that [REDACTED] has shifted from the Model Shop at AMS to the Planning and Programming Staff. An AMS Staff has been given responsibility for planning research techniques and programs in order to enable them to meet future problems as efficiently as possible.

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14. [REDACTED] reported the availability of considerable data on USSR photography plans, intentions, and accomplishments.

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15. [REDACTED] reported that the revised addition of the HO Antarctic map is now being used by the Cartography Division.

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16. [REDACTED] suggested that the Geographic Area participate directly in the CSR course for DD/P returnees rather than the present system of having all of ORR covered by [REDACTED]

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17. [REDACTED] commented that [REDACTED] is trying to have prepared a 25 to 30 minute film for briefing purposes, and that the AD/RR is interested in the possibilities.

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*18. [REDACTED] asked for nominations for the Conference Leadership Course given by OTR from 14 November to 21 December 1955. The Geographic Area has a quota of one for the course. It was decided that [REDACTED] name would be submitted.

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*19. [REDACTED] reported on his trip with [REDACTED] to the Vital Storage Center last week. They met with [REDACTED] and then visited the Records Center. It seems desirable that D/GC negatives be moved from the Vital Storage Area to the Records Center area so that they will be in an area that has air conditioning and humidity control. This will enable the vacated space to be used for more vital storage maps. [REDACTED] will check on this with [REDACTED] and call back to [REDACTED].

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It was suggested by [REDACTED] that the Records Center should be used more for storing seldom-used items. He emphasized that we have complete control of the material and that we can get it back in one day. There need be no hesitancy about storing any type of material at the Records Center.

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*20. [REDACTED] reported that [REDACTED] probably will go to [REDACTED] in November. She would like to return to the Agency after a year [REDACTED] suggested that [REDACTED] of D/I, who plans to quit the Agency a year from now, would be a good substitute for [REDACTED]. [REDACTED] would like to be on LWOP during her year [REDACTED]

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