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ECONOMIC DEFENSE INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE

Intelligence Request No. 5
Control No. 2151
28 April 1955

SUBJECT

Pending Bloc Shipbuilding Orders

REQUESTING AGENCY AND DATE

MDAC and State/ECD; 27 April 1955

DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF INFORMATION

April 1955

PROPOSED USE

Information to be used by EDAC in its consideration of current COCOM merchant shipping control proposals. Release for use in COCOM may be requested later.

BACKGROUND AND REFERENCES

This request on EDIC is for purpose of administrative control. The desired information was originally prepared under "Secret" classification for the briefing of the USDEL at the CG meeting in September 1954, and has been kept up to date since then. These revised briefing materials have not been formally released outside CIA.

SPECIFIC INFORMATION AND/OR ACTION DESIRED

The MDAC and State/ECD members of EDIC request that EDIC furnish information on:

- a) 1954 ship deliveries to the bloc by country of origin identified as to whether new or used merchant and fishing vessels; if used, include date of construction.
- b) Projected deliveries (as described in (a) above) for 1955, 1956, 1957, 1958. If possible, projected deliveries should be classified according to firmness of delivery - e.g., whether Trade Agreement commitment, firm contract, etc.

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