

3 June 1959

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Resume of OCB Luncheon Meeting, 3 June 1959

PRESENT: Mr. Allen, Mr. Dulles, Mr. Gates, Mr. Gray,
Mr. Harr, Mr. McCone, Mr. Murphy, Mr. Riddleberger,
Mr. Scribner, Mr. Smith

1. Olympic Dis-accreditation of Chinese Nationalists

The recent action of Avery Brundage in declaring that the Chinese Nationalists will no longer be permitted to represent China in the Olympic games was discussed. It was pointed out that the representatives of the Chinese Communists had been permitted to attend a meeting of the Olympic committee on the stipulation that their presence would be on a strictly non-political basis. In spite of this, Mr. Brundage took a decision that the Nationalists could not represent China, which was of course basically a political matter. It was agreed that things of this sort should be watched more closely by the OCB or other responsible arms of the Executive branch, but there was no clear agreement as to how this might be done.

Mention was also made of a resolution proposed by Representative Dorn, which takes a strong position against Red Chinese participation.

2. Freedom Foundation

The memo from the DCI reporting on the meeting of 2 June at the White House, to discuss the various bills pending in Congress on the above subject was discussed in general. The Executive Officer undertook to prepare a minute reflecting the views of all members of the Board as expressed during this discussion.

3. Road in Yemen

A brief explanation of a proposed project for road building in

Yemen was presented to the Board, and the State Department agreed to discuss the matter with Ambassador Hare and to report further at next week's meeting.

4. Neutralist Conference

The consultations among Tito, Nasser and others, in the framework of a neutralist bloc, were mentioned briefly. It was the opinion of the Board that in the light of subsequent events this particular issue was no longer a live one.

5. Burma Road

The next subject was the request from the Burma government for support for a road building program in that country. The consensus of the group was that the estimated figures were probably too low to accomplish the objectives and that further refinement of cost figures would be necessary before a firm decision could be made at any level of the government. In this connection it was pointed out that Ambassador McConaughy had asked for assurance of support in principle before he returns to his post, but doubt was expressed whether a useful examination of figures could be made in time.

The DCI expressed his feeling that in principle this kind of activity would be particularly helpful at this time, in view of the desirability of extending tangible aid to the Ne Win government. However, neither he nor any other member was prepared to support the specific project at this time, in view of the feeling that the cost figures might be unrealistic.

6. Singapore Elections

The results of the legislative assembly elections of 30 May in Singapore were reviewed. It was decided that a report should be requested from U. S. representatives in Singapore and that consideration might be given to having the working group review future actions in the light of such a report.


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