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#### I. <u>COMPLETED PROJECTS</u>

(June 1, 1953 - June 8, 1953)

- 1. THE SITUATION IN THE NEAR EAST AND SOUTH ASIA Ref: Council NSC Action No. 801
- 2. UNITED STATES POLICY ON SOVIET AND SATELLITE DEFECTORS
  Ref: Council NSC 86/1; Memos, May 20 and June 4, 1953;
  NSC Action No. 802
- 3. SUMMARY EVALUATION OF THE NET CAPABILITY OF THE USSR TO INFLICT DIRECT INJURY ON THE UNITED STATES UP TO JULY 1. 1955
  Ref: Council NSC 140, 140/1 and 141; NSC Action Nos. 519, 543, 687, 699 and 804; Memos May 28 and June 1, 1953; Memos, subject, "A Project to Provide a More Adequate Basis for Planning for the Security of the United States", June 5, July 17 and 30, August 30, 1951, and October 21, November 21, 25 and 26, 1952; Memo subject, "Summary Evaluation of the Net Capability of the USSR to Injure the Continental United States", November 25, 1952; SE-14
- 4. PURCHASE OR SALE OF STRATEGIC COMMODITIES ABROAD FOR SHIPMENT TO THE SOVIET BLOC

  Ref: Council Memo, May 28, 1953; NSC Action No. 807
- 5. THE POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES WITH RESPECT TO THE COMMUNIST THREAT TO ITALY
  Ref: Council Progress Report, dated May 20, 1953, by the Acting Secretary of State on NSC 67/3; NSC Action No. 808
- 6. GREEK OFFER OF ADDITIONAL TROOPS FOR KOREA Ref: Council NSC Action No. 809

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#### II. PROJECTS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE NSC

- A. ITEMS SCHEDULED ON AGENDA FOR THE 149th MEETING ON TUESDAY, JUNE 9, 1953 (Agenda dated June 5, 1953)
  - 1. SIGNIFICANT WORLD DEVELOPMENTS AFFECTING U.S. SECURITY

    The subject is scheduled for discussion in the light of an oral briefing by the Director of Central Intelligence.
  - 2. RESTATEMENT OF BASIC NATIONAL SECURITY POLICY
    Ref: Council NSC 153, NSC 149/2, NSC 20/4, NSC 68/2,
    NSC 135/3 and NSC 79; NSC Action No. 776-b; Memo,
    February 6, 1953

Origin: At its meeting on April 28 in connection with its action on NSC 149/1, the Council directed the Planning Board to prepare for Council consideration a revised report on basic national security policies, based on Part I of NSC 149/1 as amended and adopted (subsequently issued as NSC 149/2), and covering all national security programs, to supersede NSC 20/4, 68/2 and 135/3 (NSC Action No. 776-b).

Current Status: The draft statement of policy on the subject contained in NSC 153 is scheduled for consideration. Continuation in effect of the objectives in the Annex to NSC 153 is intended to constitute for the time being a response to NSC 79 (see also project No. 5 in Section III below).

Ref: Council - Memo, June 2, 1953; Memos, subject, "The Use of hadio as a Medium for Psychological Operations and the Impact of Its Use on National Security", dated March 26 and May 13, 1953; Memo for All Holders of May 13 Memo, dated May 18, 1953; Memos, subject, "Intelligence Support for the Voice of America with Regard to Soviet Jamming", January 2, February 26 and 29, 1952; Memo, subject, "Potential Soviet Attack on our Essential Communications Systems and Organizations", January 26, 1951; Memo, Subject, "Current U.S. Telecommunications Planning Program", dated April 21, 1953; SE-38

<u>Origin</u>: At the request of the Deputy Secretary of Defense, his memorandum and its attached report by the Joint Chiefs of Staff on "The Effect of Radio as a Medium for the Voice of America or Military Operations and Upon

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Military and Civil Telecommunications" were transmitted as NSC 137 for consideration by the Council of the recommendations contained in the second and third paragraphs of the memorandum.

Current Status: The recommendations of the NSC Planning Board contained in the reference memo of June 2 on the subject. prepared on the basis of the reference reports the President's Committee on International Information Activities (reference memo of March 26) and the Telecommunications Advisor to the President (reference memo of May 13), are scheduled for consideration.

4. INTELLIGENCE SUPPORT FOR THE VOICE OF AMERICA WITH REGARD TO SOVIET JAMMING

Ref: Council - Progress Report dated April 13, 1953 by the Acting Secretary of State on Pilot Operation of Paragraph 3-b of NSC 66/1

Origin: The reference Progress Report has been circulated for the information of the Council.

Current Status: Scheduled to be noted.

5. THE POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES WITH RESPECT TO UNITED STATES AND NORTH ATLANTIC SECURITY INTERESTS IN ICELAND Ref: Council - Progress Report dated May 28, 1953, by the Acting Secretary of State on NSC 40/1

Origin: The reference Progress Report has been circulated for the information of the Council.

Current Status: Scheduled to be noted.

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### B. ITEMS AWAITING SUBSEQUENT NSC CONSIDERATION

1. UNITED STATES OBJECTIVES AND COURSES OF ACTION WITH RESPECT TO JAPAN Ref: Council - NSC 125/2, 125/3, 125/4, 125/5; Annex to NSC 125/1, Annex to NSC 125/3; NSC Action Nos. 660 and 761; Memos, August 7, 1952 and April 27, 1953; NIE-52

Origin: In connection with the President's approval of NSC 125/2, he directed that the general structure of a U.S. program to implement the courses of action enumerated in paragraph 7 thereof should, where suitable, be explored by the Department of State in consultation with the Departments of Defense and Commerce, the Office of the Director for Mutual Security, the Office of Defense Mobilization and other appropriate agencies, and that the main elements of such a program should be reported back to the Council at the earliest possible time (reference memo of August 7).

Current Status: Revision of NSC 125/4 prepared by the Planning Board pursuant to NSC Action No. 761-a, to take account of the question of the long-term viability of the economy of Japan deprived of the raw materials and markets of the Chinese mainland has been submitted to the Council as NSC 125/5. Tentatively scheduled for Council consideration on June 18.

2. UNITED STATES POLICIES IN THE FAR EAST

Ref: Council - NSC 148 and 48/5; NSC Action Nos.

758 and 777-d(2); Memo, subject, "Cost Estimates of United States Policies in the Far East",

April 21, 1953; Memo for All Holders of April 21 memo dated April 23, 1953; Memo, April 30, 1953; NIE-47

Origin: Draft statement of policy on the subject, prepared by the Planning Board, was submitted for Council consideration as NSC 148, together with a Far East Financial Summary and an annex constituting an NSC Staff study on Communist China.

Current Status: Awaiting further study by the Council of NSC 148.

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3. UNITED STATES OBJECTIVES AND COURSES OF ACTION WITH RESPECT TO FORMOSA AND THE NATIONAL GOVERNMENT OF CHINA

Ref: Council - NSC 146, 128 and 48/5; Annex to NSC 146; NSC Action Nos. 760, 624; Memos, April 6 and 7, 1953; NIE 27/1; SE-29

Origin: The Council on April 2 directed the NSC staff, after preliminary discussion by State, Defense and CIA, to prepare a report for Council consideration in the light of a review of NSC 48/5, insofar as it pertains to U.S. policy toward Formosa, the Chinese Nationalist Government, and other anticommunist Chinese forces and in the light of the views of the JCS, contained in NSC 128 (NSC Action No. 624-b).

Current Status: Awaiting further study by the Council of NSC 146 as amended by the reference memo of April 6.

4. ADDITIONAL UNITED NATIONS FORCES FOR KOREA
Ref: Council - Memo, June 1, 1953
Planning Board - Record of Meeting, June 3, 1953

Origin: At the direction of the President a letter from Ambassador Lodge on the subject has been circulated by the reference memo for the consideration of the Council at an early meeting.

Current Status: Awaiting comments by departments and agencies concerned on the proposal contained in enclosure to the reference memo, to be submitted by June 10 for Council consideration.

5. SECURITY OF STRATEGICALLY IMPORTANT INDUSTRIAL OPERATIONS IN FOREIGN COUNTRIES

Ref: Council - Progress Report dated June 8, 1953

by the Under Secretary of State on NSC 29

Origin: The reference progress report on the subject is being circulated for the information of the Council.

<u>Current Status</u>: To be scheduled on the agenda of an early Council meeting.

#### III. CURRENT NSC PLANNING BOARD PROJECTS

UNITED STATES TACTICS TOWARD COMMUNIST CHINA IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING AN ARMISTICE IN KOREA Ref: Council - NSC Action No. 777-d
Plan. Bd. - Memo, June 5, 1953; State Dept. draft, subject, "U. S. Tactics Toward Communist China in the Event of an Armistice", dated June 1, 1953; Record of Meetings, May 13, 29 and June 3, 1953.

Origin: At its meeting on April 28 the Council directed the NSC Planning Board to prepare for early Council consideration a report on the above subject (NSC Action No.  $777-\underline{d}$ ).

Current Status: A draft report prepared by the Board Assistants was transmitted by the reference memo of June 5 and is scheduled for consideration by the Planning Board on June 8.

UNITED STATES OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES WITH RESPECT TO THE NEAR EAST

Council - NSC 129/1 Plan. Bd. - Memo for Senior Staff, March 17, 1953; Memos, April 14, 24 and May 4, 1953; Record of Meetings of Planning Board, April 10, 15, 27 and May 6, 1953

Origin: The Senior Staff agreed on January 29 to prepare recommendations for Council consideration on several urgent and immediate policy questions including this policy question.

<u>Current Status</u>: Awaiting revision by State of the draft report dated May 4. Tentatively scheduled for Planning Board consideration on June 10 and 15.

3. JAPANESE TREATY ISLANDS Council - NSC 125/5, para. 4 Ref: Plan. Bd. - Memos, June 3 and 4, 1953; Record of Meeting of Planning Board, May 20, 1953

Origin: The Planning Board requested the Departments of State and Defense to state their respective positions by May 15 on the question of whether the U.S. should maintain the status quo in the entire group of islands mentioned in Article 3 of the Pease Treaty, or whether it should return certain of these islands to Japan.

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<u>Current Status</u>: Awaiting preparation of a revised draft report by the Board Assistants in the light of a discussion by the Planning Board on June 3 of the State-Defense draft (reference memos of June 3 and 4).

4. UNITED STATES POSITION WITH RESPECT TO GERMANY
Ref: Council - NSC Action No. 777-d
Plan. Bd. - Memo, May 29, 1953; Record of Action,
June 5, 1953

Origin: At its meeting on April 28 the Council directed the Planning Board to prepare for early Council consideration a report on the above subject (NSC Action No. 777-d).

Current Status: Awaiting preparation by State of an initial revision of the draft report dated May 29 in the light of the Planning Board discussion on June 5, on the basis of which the Board Assistants will prepare a revised draft for Planning Board consideration. Tentatively scheduled for Planning Board consideration June 17.

5. REVIEW OF UNITED STATES OBJECTIVES VIS-A-VIS THE USSR IN THE EVENT OF WAR Ref: Council - NSC 153 and NSC 20/4
Plan. Bd. - Record of Flanning Board Meeting, May 29, 1953

Origin: The Planning Board on May 29 agreed that the verbatim inclusion in NSC 153 (see Section II-A above), for Council consideration of the paragraphs of NSC 20/4 relating to United States objectives vis-a-vis the USSR in the event of war (paras. 22 and 23 - circulated as Annex in NSC 153), should be regarded as a temporary response to NSC 79 pending Planning Board review of these paragraphs.

Current Status: Awaiting Planning Board review of the objectives contained in the Annex in NSC 153. Tentatively scheduled for June 17.

6. UNITED STATES OBJECTIVES AND COURSES OF ACTION WITH RESPECT TO LATIN AMERICA

Ref: Council - NSC 144/1; Annex to NSC 144

Origin: NSC 144/1, approved by the President on March 18, stated (para. 3) that its limited purpose was to define our objectives and courses of action concerning important problems common to the area; policies toward specific country

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situations, such as those in Argentina and Guatemala, were left for subsequent papers.

<u>Current Status</u>: Awaiting reports on specific country situations in Latin America from State (including especially Panama, Argentina, Guatemala, Chile, Venezuela and Brazil).

7. THE POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES WITH RESPECT TO SOUTH ASIA Ref: Council - NSC 98/1
Plan. Bd. - Record of Senior Staff meeting, January 29, 1953

Origin: The Senior Staff at its meeting on January 29 agreed to prepare recommendations for Council consideration on several urgent and immediate policy questions, including this policy question.

<u>Current Status</u>: Awaiting consideration by the Planning Board of a draft report by State, to be circulated.

8. THE POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES WITH RESPECT TO YUGOSLAVIA Ref: Council - NSC-18/2 and 18/6
Plan. Ed. - Record of Meeting of Senior Staff,
January 29, 1953

Origin: The Senior Staff on January 29 agreed to prepare recommendations for Council consideration on several urgent and immediate policy questions, including this policy question.

<u>Current Status</u>: Awaiting preparation of a draft report by State.

9. NSC 26 SERIES

Ref: Council - NSC Action No. 753; Progress Report dated March 9, 1953, by the Under Secretary of State on NSC 26 series

Origin: The Council on March 25 noted the reference Progress Report on the subject and that the Department of State is preparing a proposed revision of this policy for Council consideration (NSC Action No. 753).

Current Status: Awaiting report by State.

#### UNITED STATES OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES WITH RESPECT TO 10. NORTH AFRICA

Ref: <u>Plan. Bd.</u> - Memos for Senior Staff, March 4 and 16, 1953; Record of Meeting of Planning Board, May 11, 1953; NIE-69 and supplement

Origin: Draft statement of policy and staff study prepared by State were transmitted by reference memo of March 4 for consideration by the Senior Staff.

Current Status: Awaiting revision by State, in the light of the visit of the Secretary of State to the area, of the draft report transmitted by the reference memos of March 4 and 16.

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Council - NSC 151; NSC Action Nos. 717, 725 and 799; Progress Report dated January 19, 1953 by the Under Secretary of State; Memo, February 17, 1953; Memo "Formulation of a United States Position with Respect to Regulation, Limitation and Balanced Reduction of Armed Forces and Armaments", dated June 3, 1953
Plan. Bd. - Memo for Senior NSC Staff, February 4,
1953

Origin: The NSC, on February 25, 1953, after discussing recommendations of the Department of State Panel of Consultants on Disarmament contained in their report on the subject (reference memo of February 4), referred the report to the Senior NSC Staff, directing it, with the assistance of Dr. Vannevar Bush, to report back to the Council on possible means of carrying out the recommendations (NSC Action No. 725).

Current Status: Awaiting: (a) preparation of a report by the Ad Hoc Committee on Armaments and American Policy of the NSC Planning Board on Recommendations 2-5 of the Panel of Consultants, (b) an outline plan to be prepared by PSB pursuant to NSC Action No. 799-d of the specific steps, including speeches by government officials, which should be taken to carry out the recommendations contained in NSC 151, and (c) exploration pursuant to NSC Action No. 717-b by the Planning Board before the next UN General Assembly meeting in September of the possibility of a new U.S. proposal on the subject of the regulation, limitation and balanced reduction of armed forces and armaments.

12. UNITED STATES POLICY TOWARD THE SOVIET SATELLITE STATES IN EASTERN EUROPE (INCLUDING EAST GERMANY)

Plan. Bd. - Memo for Senior NSC Staff, March 3, 1953;
Memo, May 18, 1953; Record of Senior Staff Meeting,
January 29, 1953; Record of Meetings of Planning
Board April 24 and May 20, 1953

Origin: The Senior Staff agreed on January 29 to prepare recommendations for Council consideration on several urgent and immediate policy questions, including this policy question.

Current Status: Awaiting a coordinated revision by the Board Assistants of the staff study on the subject, including material from NIE-87.

13. THE POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES WITH RESPECT TO THE COMMUNIST THREAT TO ITALY

Ref: Council - Progress Report, dated May 20, 1953, by the Acting Secretary of State on NSC 67/3

Origin: The reference Progress Report on the subject (see also Section I above) advises that the Department of State considers that NSC 67/3 has, in some respects, been overtaken by events, and that a new draft is under preparation for submission for the consideration of the Council, which will reflect conclusions drawn from the outcome of the Italian national elections to be held on June 7, 1953.

<u>Current Status:</u> Awaiting preparation of a draft report by State.

14. REVIEW OF ECONOMIC DEFENSE POLICY
Ref: Council - NSC 152, 104/2, 91/1, 122/1; NSC Action
Nos. 738 and 806; Progress Report dated January 19,
1953, by the Secretary of State and the Director for
Mutual Security on NSC 104/2
Plan. Bd. - Record of Meeting, June 5, 1953.

Origin: The Council on March 18, 1953 directed the NSC Planning Board, with the participation of the Department of Commerce, to review the existing policy on this subject (NSC 104/2) and submit appropriate recommendations for Council consideration (NSC Action No. 738).

<u>Current Status</u>: Awaiting preparation by the Economic Defense Advisory Committee, with the assistance of such special consultants as the departments and agencies

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represented on the Committee may designate, of the initial draft report called for by NSC Action No. 806, for Planning Board Consideration not later than July 1.

15. U.S. CONTINENTAL DEFENSE SYSTEM

Ref: Council - NSC 140 and NSC 140/1; Memos May 28 and

June 1, 1953; NSC Action No. 804.

Plan. Bd. - Memos, May 8 and June 1, 1953; Record of Meetings of Planning Board, May 6, 22 and 27, 1953

Origin: The Planning Board on May 6 discussed the subject and agreed that preliminary work should be initiated within the departments and agencies concerned on existing and proposed programs, with costs in each case, in anticipation of preparation of a draft report after receipt of the report of the Special Evaluation Subcommittee (see NSC 140/1) and the Department of Defense Ad Hoc Study Group on Continental Defense.

<u>Current Status:</u> Awaiting preparation of a draft report by the Continental Defense Committee of the Planning Board in accordance with the terms of reference transmitted by the reference memo of June 1. Due not later than July 15.

#### IV. OTHER CURRENT COUNCIL PROJECTS

1. ORGANIZED EVACUATION OF CIVILIAN POPULATIONS IN CIVIL DEFENSE Ref: Council - NSC 131 and 131/1; NSC Action No. 651; Memo, June 9, 1952

Origin: On May 16, 1952, the Deputy Federal Civil Defense Administrator requested that a policy memorandum on the subject, which the FCDA was proposing to issue for the guidance of state and local civil defense forces, be referred to the NSC for such comments or action as was deemed appropriate (circulated as NSC 131).

<u>Current Status</u>: Awaiting further study by the Federal Civil Defense Administration in the light of the discussion at the Council meeting on June 18, 1952.

2. BASIC NATIONAL SECURITY POLICIES AND PROGRAMS IN RELATION TO THEIR COSTS

Ref: Council - NSC 149/2; NSC Action Nos. 768 and 779

Origin: The Council at its meetings on April 22 and 28 amended and adopted NSC 149/1 subject to certain understandings (NSC Action Nos. 776 and 768). NSC 149/1, as amended and adopted was approved by the President on April 29 and issued as 149/2. The Council adopted the reductions in the atomic energy program proposed in Part II of NSC 149/1, with the understanding that: (1) the Atomic Energy Commission will review the possibility of further reductions as a result of the elimination of the large ship reactor program and the aircraft nuclear propulsion program, pursuant to Action 768-e (see also NSC Action No. 779); (2) The Secretary of Defense will urgently review the military requirements for atomic weapons in the light of the revisions in the military program; and (3) the Atomic Energy Commission will recommend revisions in its expansion program in the light of any changes in military requirements resulting from (2) above (NSC Action No. 768-f).

Current Status: Awaiting reports from the Secretary of Defense and the Atomic Energy Commission pursuant to NSC Action No. 768-f.

3. POSSIBILITIES FOR PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONS BASED ON THAILAND Ref: Council - NSC Action Nos. 780-d and 788

Origin: The Council on May 13 (NSC Action No. 788) noted a brief oral report on the subject by Mr. C. D. Jackson, and directed the Psychological Strategy Board to submit for Council consideration a plan for coordinated psychological operations based on Thailand.

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#### POSSIBILITIES FOR PSYCHOLOGICAL OPERATIONS BASED ON THAILAND (Cont'd)

<u>Current Status</u>: Awaiting a report from the Psychological Strategy Board pursuant to the above action.

UNITED STATES POLICY ON SOVIET AND SATELLITE DEFECTORS Council - NSC 86/1; Progress Report on NSC 86/1, dated July 11, 1952; Memo, May 20, 1953 Plan. Bd. - Record of Meeting of Planning Board on May 18, 1953

Origin: The NSC Planning Board on May 18 in connection with its submission of a draft amendment to NSC 86/1 to the Council for its consideration (see Section II-B above) noted that

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5. ANALYSIS OF POSSIBLE COURSES OF ACTION IN KOREA Council - NSC 147; NSC Action Nos. 759, 777-e, 782, 787 and 794; Memo, "Future Courses of Action in Connection with the Situation in Korea", March 30, 1953; NIE 80;

Origin: Report on the subject prepared by the NSC Planning Board in the light of the estimate of the JCS transmitted by the reference memo of March 30, was submitted as NSC 147 for the consideration of the Council.

Current Status: Awaiting preparation by State of a political annex setting forth the foreign policy implications of the course of action selected by the Joint Chiefs of Staff and further consideration of the subject by the Council after completion of related studies now under way (NSC Action No. 794 - b and <u>d</u>).

6. A NATIONAL PETROLEUM PROGRAM Ref: Council - NSC 97/3; NSC Action No. 798; Memo, June 2, 1953

Origin: The Council at its meeting on May 28: Adopted the statement of policy contained in NSC 97/3, with the exception of paragraph 8 which was adopted in principle on the understanding that the Director of Defense Mobilization will: (1) Coordinate the implementation of subparagraphs 8-a and b in the light of a review of the military requirements by the Secretary of Defense; (2) Coordinate the implementation of subparagraph 8-c in the light of discussions by the Secretary of Commerce with representatives of the tanker and ship-

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building industries; (3) Submit to the National Security Council a progress report, with particular reference to (1) and (2) above, not later than July 1, 1953. The Council also suggested that NSC 97/3 be referred for comment to Civilian Consultants to be selected by the President (NSC Action No. 798-b and d).

<u>Current Status: Awaiting preparation of a progress report</u> by the Director of Defense Mobilization pursuant to NSC Action No. 798-b and comment from the Civilian Consultants in accordance with NSC Action No. 798-d.

EFFECT ON NATIONAL SECURITY INTERESTS IN LATIN AMERICA OF 7. POSSIBLE ANTI-TRUST PROCEEDINGS Ref: Council - Memo, June 1, 1953; NSC Action No. 805

Origin: A report by the NSC Planning Board on the subject (reference memo of June 1) was considered by the Council on June 4, 1953 and it was agreed that in view of the adverse effects on national security interests in Latin America of the proposed anti-trust proceedings: (a) The proposed anti-trust proceedings should be postponed, without prejudice to the Government for one year, and (b) The Attorney General should be directed to negotiate with the company, as a matter of urgency, for the elimination of practices deemed to be inconsistent with U.S. anti-trust laws, reporting back to the NSC on the results of the negotiations (NSC Action No. 805).

Current Status: Awaiting report from the Attorney General on the results of the above mentioned negotiations.

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