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4. At 0930, 12 June, the met with
to draw up a contract for negotiations with
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5. The met with in his office at 1100 the
same morning and gave him the Russian manuscript for Dr. Zhivago.
stated that he felt the manuscript was in good enough shape for
type setting and remarked that he had found a suitable printer,
to do the type setting. stated that he would be
able to complete the type setting by II July and to complete the photo
offset plates by 18 July. Terms of the contract were discussed.
said that the express terms did not appeal to him, that he preferred
to undertake these publishing contracts on a strictly commercial basis,
by this he ment that the Agency should turn over to him the manuscript of
a book, and in some cases provide work and capital or a guarantee to
purchase so many books, and that he in turn would handle all of the pro-
blems and costs connected with type setting, printing and binding of the
book. Under this arrangement, the proceeds from the sale of such books
would accrue to The told that he would
have to check with neadquarters on this proposal and tee them know our re-
action later. In the meantime, was asked if he would consider our proposal to pay the costs of the type setting, photo offset prints
our proposal to pay the costs of the type setting, photo offset prints
and lay out for the book plus a fee for a time bonus to
The latter said that he would undertake the project on a fee basis but
that he would like to have a fee of for both phases of the
operation. The said that this figure was entirely too high
and that he was sure that it would not be acceptable at Headquarters.
in turn asked that we consider his proposal rather than give him a
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capital to cover the costs of type setting, etc. but that all of this amount would be returned at a specific date to the party that we designated.
The meeting was concluded at 1330.
The meeting was concluded at 1550.
6. At 1330 the again met with and told him
of reactions to our proposals and of suggestion
of anuscript over to him. first of all remarked
that the figure of was preposterous and that we should not agree
to these terms under any conditions. Regarding own proposal,
stated that he felt that this had its merits since it would
be a lot simpler for us and would place the burden of financial respon-
sibility on He stated further that if we accepted this pro-
posal we should mave write a legal note to the lawver for the





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amount of work and capital within four months regard! spelling out the terms of It was understood that bot for approval before being	ess of the status of the the agreement as h contracts would be to	ne book. A new contract proposed was writte aken to Washington, D.C.,
		yer for negotiations with
7. The proposal was being conside week regarding the final n	red and that we would d	
8. The Washington, D.C., at 2100.	departed	at 1950 and arrived in
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30 June 1958

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD
SUBJECT: Contact Report of Meeting with on 11 - 12 June 1958
1. The undersigned departed from National airport at 1135 on 11 June
and arrived at LaGuardia at 1245. From LaGuardia he went to the
Hotel for a 1400 meeting with
Chief of the Agency's Commercial Division.
2. lookedover a draft of the paper written by
and the undersigned concerning our proposals for the publication of
Dr. Zhivago in two phases. It was proposed that in phase one
would arrange for the type setting, manufacture of photo offset proofs and
the lay out of the book. Phase two would consist of the printing, binding
and distribution of the book in Europe. would handle both
phases of the publication and would be paid a fee for his services in each
phase of the operation. thought that this was a good approach
to the problem particularly because of our desire to have the book
published in Europe. He suggested that we talk to one of the business con-
sultants that the Commercial Division used for such projects.
recommended that we employ
3. telephoned and the latter came to
hotel room for discussions on the publication. looked
over the draft of our proposals and suggested that we confer with
legal specialist in such publication matters,
A meeting was arranged for
1830 at office at
During this meeting, was told of our intention to have a book,
in the Russian language, type set and photo offset in New York and to then
have it published in Europe. He was asked if he would handle the legal
problems connected with the publication (signing of contracts, payment of
bills, etc.). agreed and an appointment was made to discuss the
matter with him the following week.

