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STAFF CONFERENCE

Minutes of Meeting held in Director's
Conference Room, Administration Building
Monday, 22 January 1951, at 1000 hours

General Smith Presiding

Present

- ✓ William H. Jackson, Deputy Director
- ✓ Allen W. Dulles, Deputy Director for Plans
- ✓ Murray McConnell, Deputy Director for Administration
- ✓ Lyman B. Kirkpatrick, Executive Assistant to DCI
- ✓ Joseph Larocque, Executive Assistant to DCI
- ✓ James D. Andrews, Advisor for Management
- ✓ James M. Andrews, Asst. Dir. for Collection and Dissemination
- ✓ George G. Carey, Asst. Dir. for Operations
- ✓ H. Marshall Chadwell, Asst. Dir. for Scientific Intelligence
- ✓ Kingman Douglass, Asst. Dir. for Current Intelligence
- ✓ William L. Langer, Asst. Dir. for National Estimates
- ✓ Max F. Millikan, Asst. Dir. for Research and Reports
- ✓ James Q. Reber, Asst. Dir. for Intelligence Coordination
- ✓ Robert A. Schow, Asst. Dir. for Special Operations
- ✓ Frank G. Wisner, Asst. Dir. for Policy Coordination

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1. The Director discussed his trip to [] stating that General Willoughby had an excellent intelligence set-up and was making valuable use of former [] officers as well as [] industry. He said that he thought an agreement had been reached which would work very effectively and that he believed it was now up to CIA to prove that it could produce material of value. He stated that he did not anticipate any difficulty as long as General Willoughby believed that he was being kept informed. Dr. Langer asked whether there was anything new in the outlook from []. The Director stated that he would rate the combat potential of the Chinese ground forces higher; that he believed their combat ability was fair at the present time; however, the longer they remain on Formosa the faster the combat potential will deteriorate. He stated that the Navy and Air Force of the Chinese Nationalists had already deteriorated to a considerable degree. Dr. Langer asked if there was any intelligence on the size and extent of the Chinese Nationalist guerrillas on the mainland. The Director indicated that it was generally believed that the Nationalists' intelligence reports on conditions on the mainland were quite accurate. He said that he believed we could get some valuable information from Admiral Cook in Taipei. The Director stated that he believes the Chinese Communists will attack Formosa, probably using 20,000 to 25,000 airborne troops and taking advantage of bad weather conditions to lessen the effectiveness of our 7th Fleet.

The Director inquired as to the status of NSC 10/3 and said that he would ask Mr. Lay to expedite the release.

2. Mr. Jackson said that he believed the IAC should be briefed on the organizational changes which have been made in CIA, and the fact that henceforth the emphasis of our intelligence research would be in the economic field, with particular reference to the USSR.

3. Mr. Carey raised the question as to whether CIA should participate in the analysis of serial numbers and name plates on Soviet equipment. The Director said that it would be necessary first to determine who was already working on the subject and what was being produced, and then to obtain the necessary technicians. Dr. Langer stated that this was a very important source of valuable information and that Mr. Ruggles, of Yale, had been very successful during the war in producing important intelligence based on a small amount of information. It was determined that O/ should investigate to see what recommendations should be made to the IAC.

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4. Mr. Dulles reported that General Robert McClure was engaged in psychological warfare activities for the Army. The Director suggested that General McClure's charter be determined and a study be made as to how CIA could assist him.

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