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Director's Meeting

Tuesday, 27 May 1952

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PRESENT: Messrs. Dulles, Wolf, Wisner, Becker, Earman

Mr. Dulles:

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a. Asked what further action was being taken on the first two items in the log. Mr. Wisner stated we had received a number of cables on these items and a consolidated reply was being prepared which would be passed to the D/DCI and DCI for approval. *Done*

b. Noted the item in the log concerning the JCS study on "U.S. Military Position Toward the Indonesia Island Chain" and asked if this was a new paper. Mr. Becker stated that he believed it was and undertook to furnish a copy to the D/DCI.

c. Noted that Bud Lee, presently the Briefing Officer for General Clark, had sometime ago indicated a desire to transfer to CIA and that he (Mr. Dulles) had passed this along to Aurell.

Mr. Wisner:

a. Briefly discussed the situation in Berlin and recommended that possibly a meeting should be called with representatives of Defense (Mr. Foster), State (Mr. Bohlen), Army (Gen. Collins), CIA (DD/P) to consider various courses of action that might be taken if the situation there continues to deteriorate. After considerable discussion wherein Mr. Becker noted that (1) the situation in Berlin was developing about as predicted, (2) there were ominous signs in Korea which could be well tied in with possible Soviet actions in Germany, Mr. Dulles stated that (1) he did not believe it was incumbent upon CIA to call such a meeting, (2) we should however be prepared to discuss the Berlin paper at this afternoon's Senior Staff meeting and at tomorrow's NSC meeting. In this connection D/DCI called Mr. Lay who indicated he was willing to put the Berlin paper on the agenda of the NSC Senior Staff meeting today and the NSC meeting tomorrow if considered necessary.

b. Noted that FOREIGN AFFAIRS did not intend to run the full article prepared by [ ] however, we were still prepared to lend assistance to this magazine on this matter if the editor could be "talked into it". Mr. Dulles undertook to follow through on this.

c. Raised the question of "our paragraphs on NSC 114" and at D/DCI's request undertook to prepare them. In this connection, Mr. Wisner noted that

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Mr. Wisner (Continued)

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Admiral Stevens was out of the city and in all probability time did not permit us to coordinate our action in regard to the above mentioned paper with a similar paper on which the Stevens' group is working.

Mr. Wolf:

a. Noted that present CIA Regulations require three Deputy Directors to consider the cases of individuals who have been approved for employment by Loyalty Boards but were considered as security risks. In this connection Mr. Wolf recommended that the Regulations be changed to require that one or more Deputy Directors and such Assistant Directors as needed sit on such cases in the future. Mr. Dulles approved.

b. Noted that he had an appointment this afternoon with Cong. Cox, the Chairman of the Congressional Committee appointed to "investigate foundations" and that he only intended to discuss generalities. After considerable discussion Mr. Dulles (1) stated that he was not too concerned over the activities of this Committee in regard to "our foundations" since he felt we would be so far down on the list the Committee would in all probability never get to us, (2) asked Mr. Wolf to defer his appointment with Cox since "our interest in this matter was not urgent and we would get in touch with him later".

c. Discussed the various CIA building sites and the Director's stated preference in this matter. Mr. Dulles indicated he would speak to the DCI on this upon his return.

Mr. Becker:

Read a cable from George Kennan which recommended vigorous counter-actions against anything the Soviets might do in Germany.

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