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Deputies' Meeting

Wednesday, 2 July 1952

PRESENT: General Smith, Messrs. Wisner, Becker, Hedden, Col. White, [redacted]

General Smith:

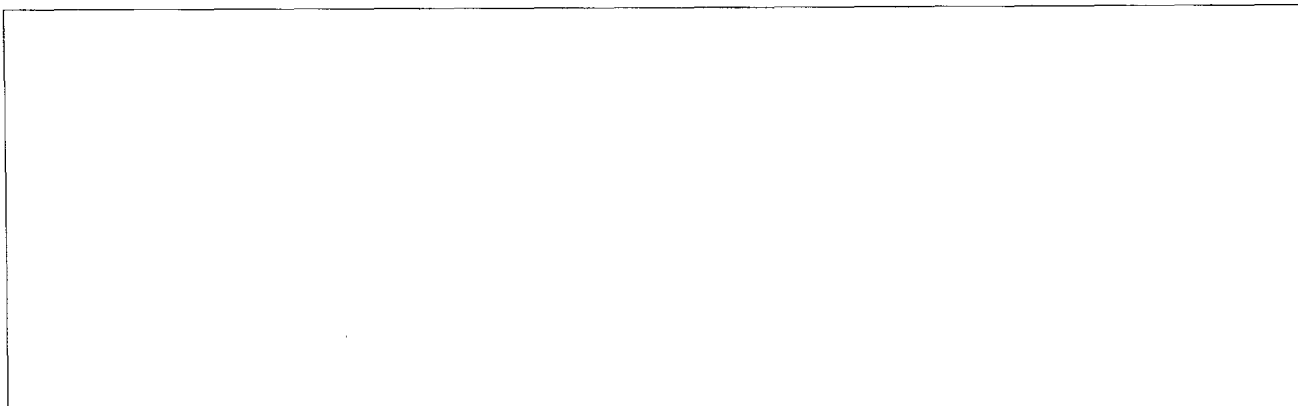
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a. Stated while [redacted] was here we had promised him assistance in the amount of 200,000 [redacted] and asked Mr. Wisner if this had been accomplished. DD/P stated that it had.

b. After discussing the proposed Gunther article to be published in the 12 August issue of LOOK, asked Mr. Becker to get in touch with Col. Hansen, who is presently in New York, and direct him to approach Gunther and Mike Cowles with a request that certain portions of this article be deleted.

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Mr. Wisner:



b. Noted that he planned to meet today with Col. White and Messrs. Kirkpatrick, Hedden and Miller (in the absence of Col. Johnston) to discuss the redraft of the paper on "CIA Clandestine Services -- Description of Proposed Organization." The Director stated that this meeting should be conducted on a committee basis and recommendations made to him as to what specific changes, if any, should be made in the paper in question.

c. Noted that [redacted] who had been selected as Col. Peers' replacement, was leaving today and asked if the DCI desired to see him. The Director indicated that he did and an appointment has been arranged for 3:30 this afternoon.

d. Noted that (1) he and Mr. Shannon had discussed with Doc Matthews our acquisition [redacted] and he (Matthews) fully supported our ^{POSITION} action; (2) Mr. Shannon was preparing a paper which would outline step by step our action on this matter for the Director's consideration prior to approaching Secretary of the Interior and the President. *Paper given to DCI on 3 July 52.*

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Mr. Hedden:

a. Noted that [redacted] presently assigned to CIA, has returned with a "scathing" report on our operations presently being conducted [redacted] and after he had had an opportunity to determine the full story on this he would report it to the DCI. The Director stated that he desired that all such matters be immediately brought to his attention even though there had been no opportunity to determine the complete facts in order that he might be apprised of such situations in the event he received queries from other agencies.

Col. White:

a. Noted that Admiral Overesch plans to return to Washington on 28 July for a ten-day stay prior to departing [redacted] and, in this connection, asked the Director if he had any objection to Adm. Overesch travelling [redacted] by boat and spending a few days [redacted] en route. The Director stated he had no objections to the above arrangements.

Mr. Becker:

a. Briefly discussed his conversation with [redacted] this morning and stated it would not be necessary for him to see the Director.

b. Gave the DCI the agenda for the IAC Meeting this afternoon and noted that the briefing memorandum attached thereto was not suitable for reading at the meeting.

c. Briefly reported on the discussion held at the Steering Group meeting of the NSC Senior Staff yesterday on the Formosa paper and noted that in his opinion this Group was slipping back rather than making progress on this paper. The Director stated he desired to attend the next meeting at which the above paper would be discussed. Mr. Becker noted that there might be some little time before this paper was again discussed since Defense had undertaken to rewrite it.

d. Left with the Director a report of conversation between [redacted] and [redacted] and noted that it would be passed along to DD/P after the Director had seen it. The DCI stated he had had an opportunity to talk at some length with [redacted] when he was here.

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