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Deputies' Meeting

Tuesday, 6 January 1953

PRESENT: General Smith, Messrs. Dulles, Wisner, Becker, Hedden, Col. White,
Mr. Earman

General Smith:

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a. Noted the proposed JCS paper "Command Relationships Between the CIA/OPC Organization and the Armed Forces in Active Theaters of War Where American Forces are Engaged" and, after being advised by DD/P that comments on this paper would be furnished on 7 January, stated that (1) he desired that it be made clear that theater commanders would be responsible for support but not control of our activities; (2) the notation throughout the paper "CIA/OPC" would be changed to CIA.

Mr. Dulles:

a. Discussed a proposal made by [redacted] in connection with "the Rosenbergs" and, after some discussion, it was agreed to go ahead with this proposal abroad after touching base with the Department of State.

b. Reported that [redacted] had discussed with him the appointment of [redacted] and it was his (D/DCI's) opinion that [redacted] had many qualifications for this job. In response to a query from the Director, Mr. Wisner stated that [redacted] had not reached a decision as to what he intended to do. After briefly discussing the qualifications of another candidate and wherein it was noted some difficulty had been met in selling him to the committee, the Director asked DD/P to press [redacted] for a decision today. Mr. Dulles also asked DD/P to get in touch with [redacted] after his talk with [redacted].

Mr. Wisner:

a. Noted that [redacted] would, in all probability, be leaving within the next two weeks and suggested that we invite him to lunch. The DCI approved.

b. Reported that he had had a good talk with [redacted] yesterday and was very impressed with him and his qualifications and, in particular, his numerous contacts [redacted]. Before final decision is made on employing [redacted] D/DCI undertook to "get a line" on him from Senator Taft and DD/P stated he would ask [redacted] to discuss [redacted].

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Mr. Becker:

a. Noted it would be necessary to discuss the summary evaluation paper with the IIC and the ICIS and while he could handle Whearty and the ICIS he suggested that the Director call Mr. Hoover, the Chairman of IIC, and ask him to designate an individual to discuss this paper with Mr. Amory. The Director stated this would not be necessary and asked Mr. Earman to get in touch with Sam Papich and handle this matter through him. [REDACTED]

b. Noted that in connection with our possible employment of [REDACTED] he did not have a place for him in the DD/I organization. The Director stated there was no hurry [REDACTED] however, we should keep him in mind since he was an excellent intelligence officer and could be used in a field position.

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