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NIS COMMITTEE MEETING NO. 274

22 August 1958

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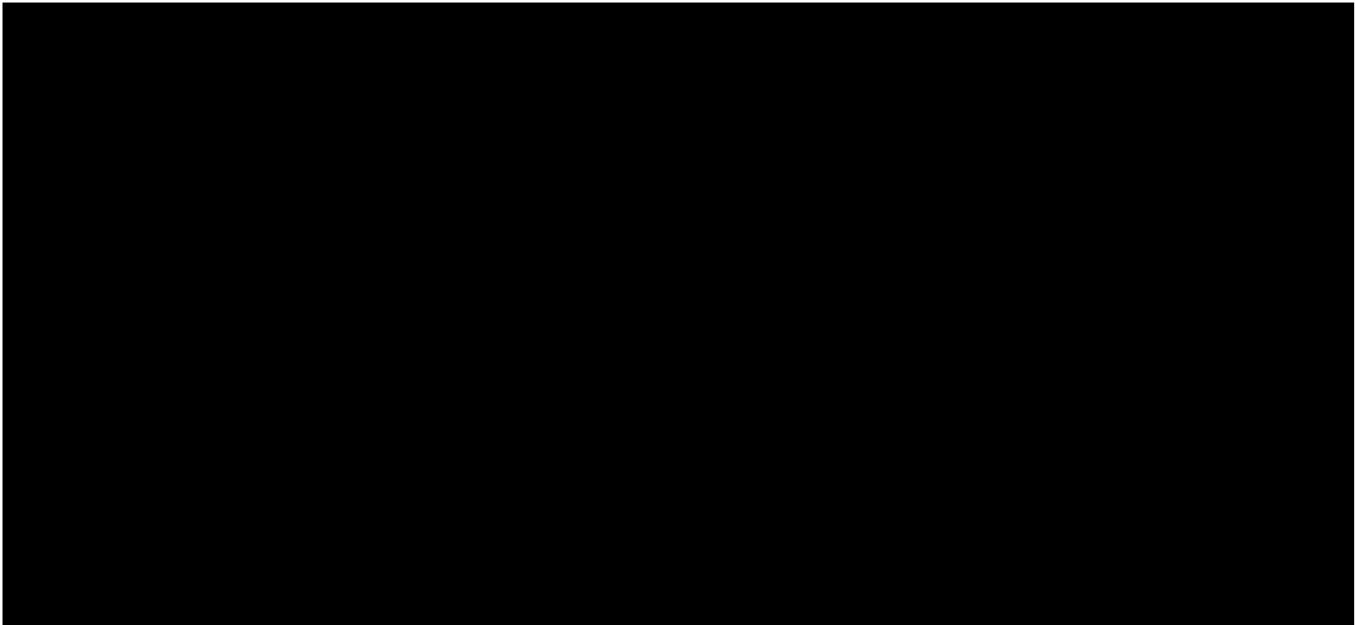
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3. Revision of IAC-D-45/12

The Chairman called for a report on the draft revision of IAC-D-45/12, "Procedures for the Dissemination of the National Intelligence Survey" reflecting the change of policy on release of military intelligence to foreign governments set forth in IAC-D-115/2 of 17 June 1958 (refer to Item 8 NCM 271 and Item 5 NCM 272).

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The State member reported concurrence of his agency in the draft, although he suggested minor changes to clarify the text. State had not completed its review of the controlled areas list. The other members reported that their agencies were reviewing the draft and could not report their views before the next meeting.

4. NIS on Alaska

The Committee examined the question of the effect on NIS production of Alaskan statehood (refer to Item 3 NCM 272), and reached the following decision:

a. Production of NIS on Alaska will cease when the Territory becomes a state.

b. NIS sections presently in production will be completed and published, including Section 31 (Railway).

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c. When published Section 31 will be released in line with existing exchange policy.

d. Published NIS will continue in effect until cancelled by obsolescence. [REDACTED] will be permitted to retain such material and will be notified when it becomes obsolete.

5. Current NIS Production

The State member reported that Section 53M on NIS 39A (Communist China), inactive since 9 July 1958 because of delay in receipt of field comments, will be ready by 2 September 1958. He also reported that Section 60 on NIS 89 (Chile), inactive since 8 July 1958 because of absence of analyst, will be ready by 26 August 1958.

The Committee approved Army's recommendation, submitted in memorandum of 12 August 1958, that Section 81 on NIS 55 (Ethiopia) be withdrawn from OBI review and rescheduled as a consolidated Chapter VIII at a later date when the Ethiopian Army situation stabilizes.

6. Other Matters

a. The Chairman made available to all members copies of the OCR report on "Exploitation of Certain [REDACTED] on Africa, India, and some Areas of the Middle East", dated 25 July 1958. He noted that a

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complete accession list of materials is available in the CIA Library and inquiries respecting it should be directed there.

b. The Chairman informed the members that the installation and town-city files on Western Hemisphere countries were being retired from the Industrial Register, OCR, to the Records Center. Subject files can be drawn at any time upon 24 hours' notice but, in no instance, will there be found post-1956 information.

c. Copies of the NIS Annual Report for FY 1958 were released to all members.

7. The next meeting will be held at 1000 hours on Tuesday, 26 August 1958.

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