

REPORT BY THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AT THE 10th MEETING
OF THE NIA.

(Preliminary personal remarks pertinent to the Director's
initial attendance)

Having been in office so short a time I desire to limit my remarks
to summarizing briefly the progress that CIG has made since the last
meeting of the NIA on 12 February 1947.

Atomic Energy Commission

It will be recalled that at that meeting you approved the issuance
of NIA Directive No. 9 providing for the transfer from the MED to the
CIG of military intelligence personnel and the centralization in CIG
of the coordinating responsibility for collection, production, and
dissemination of intelligence pertaining to foreign atomic energy
developments. Immediately thereafter informal working agreements were
established ^{and} ~~but CIG is now awaiting AEC agreement to a formal under-~~
~~taking. Without this formal agreement, certain difficulties and mis-~~
~~understandings will continue. ~~but~~ we have every reason to believe that~~
~~acceptance of our proposals is imminent.~~ ^{hope}

a formal agreement

SWNCC

Running a close second to the AEC in importance as a customer of
CIG and in my opinion probably leading it eventually on the basis of
volume is the SWNCC.

SWNCC is the interdepartmental or national policy ~~board~~ ^{board}. CIG
is the interdepartmental or national intelligence ~~board~~ ^{board}. National
policy should be built on national intelligence. A most satisfactory
formal liaison has been established by CIG with the SWNCC secretariat,
~~and~~ I plan personally discussing with [REDACTED] Chairman of
SWNCC, the manner in which CIG can further assist ⁱⁿ the preparation
of those intelligence reports and studies which the SWNCC committees ^{should have,}
particularly right now the ~~ad hoc~~ ^{ad hoc} committee for Economic Aid, ~~should~~
~~have.~~

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In implementation of established agreements between ^{the} JRDB and CIG, wherein ^{CIG} ~~CIG~~ acts as the scientific intelligence facility of ^{JRDB} ~~JRDB~~, detailed working arrangements have been established, formulation of a National Scientific Intelligence Program has been initiated, ^{and} JRDB has started a flow of requests to ^{CIG} ~~CIG~~ for scientific and technical intelligence. ~~information and intelligence,~~ ^{consideration} ~~to~~ Scientific Intelligence, ^{needs} Requirements has been ^{made} in collaboration with ^{the} JRDB and the IAB agencies and ^{CIG} ~~CIG~~ has made continuing progress in meeting JRDB requirements.

JCS

It will be recalled that the NIA has in the past discussed the CIG relationship to the JCS and the confusion and duplication which exists due to a lack of demarcation of duties between CIG and JIC. ^{of the JCS.} To date almost all CIG planning has had to be adjusted to this continuing problem. I understand that the JIC is now considering a proposal which may resolve the matter. I do not know its details. In fact I have no official way of knowing what takes place in JIC. I can only hope that at an early date ~~that~~ the Director of Central Intelligence will be placed on the ^{distribution} ~~routing~~ list for JIC papers and ~~that~~ ^{the JIC} will be invited to sit with ~~it~~, at least as an observer. Without some such close tie-in, there will continue to be a sad lack of coordination.

CIG Intelligence Program

In our attempt to meet our responsibilities to the President, to yourselves as members of the NIA, and to such special organizations as I have mentioned above, CIG has, as its personnel and facilities have permitted, gradually developed an intelligence program which when fully activated will, I believe, accomplish what was intended in the President's originating letter of 22 January 1946.

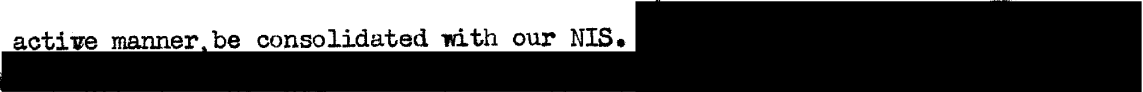
We believe that no military or diplomatic planning can be successfully done except against a background of incontrovertible facts. These facts we call basic intelligence. In one degree or another these facts are needed by each of your departments. We are undertaking to ^{coordinate the} ~~compile~~ ^{the} ~~information~~

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Intelligence Surveys and to make them available in multiple copies to the departments. They will be loose leaf so that they can be kept currently correct and so that they can be subdivided and distributed for specialized use. They will contain data on foreign government organizations, topography, population and manpower, climate, strategic areas, health, and sanitation, etc. In a form strictly limited to wartime military use, this ~~some~~ basic intelligence was compiled by the JIC in the JANIS. We are trying to obtain agreement that this JIC undertaking, which continues in a less active manner, be consolidated with our NIS.

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Situation Reports

Another form of intelligence reference we call Situation Reports. These reports are to cover countries or areas, and ^{local} special international subjects not restricted to countries or areas. They are designed to contain a concise summary of the situation, its implications, and its possible or probably effect on our own national security. These reports will also be loose leaf in form for ready revision. They will give military, naval, political, economic, and diplomatic coverage, and the facilities of the several agencies will be used to a maximum in their preparation.

From time to time we ~~may be able~~ to put out a composite overall analysis of the world situation, based on these separate Situation Reports.

Interagency Coordination of Production

We try consistently to limit our production efforts strictly to the field of national intelligence which will be useful to national policy planners, as distinct from agency intelligence intended for the operational use of departmental officers. ~~The line of demarcation~~



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CIG has prepared and the IAB has unanimously approved a plan for the ^{interagency} coordination of the production of intelligence. The plan attempts to insure complete coverage and eliminate unproductive duplication. We are awaiting the comments of the JCS and the agency planners before submitting it to the NIA.

Our big problem in the production field is the NIA requirement that the concurrence of each IAB agency must be obtained to each CIG intelligence report, excepting current intelligence reports. I plan to review this situation personally with the IAB.

Current Intelligence

By NIA Directive No. 2 CIG is required to produce current intelligence for the use of the President, the members of this Authority, and a few others. Our adequacy surveys indicate that this product is satisfactory to the recipients. *I would welcome your personal opinions. (Watts text) (2)*

Collection

The second ~~NIA~~ Directive was No. 9 of 18 April 1947, called ~~NIR - China~~, which announced the current essentials and intelligence objectives of this government as regards China. The purpose behind this Directive was to pool all agency requirements and allocate ^{them} in accordance with field representative capabilities, ~~the~~ thus using manpower efficiently and avoiding duplication. ~~ANBIR on USSR has also been completed.~~ Further NIR are in preparation.

~~These~~ NIA Directives have been issued affecting the collection of intelligence ~~information~~. ~~NIA Directive No. 7 of 2 January 1947~~ *One* established a program for the overall coordination of collection activities. Recent field surveys by CIG officers indicate that in some posts abroad this directive has had a positive and beneficial effect. In others the generality of its terms has vitiated its force. A continuing study is being made by CIG, and suggestions for improvement will probably be made to the intelligence sections of your departments. With recent budget cuts the Government's limited facilities must be employed ^{to their maximum} ~~most~~ efficiently *to protect* for the national security.

CIG Collection

In addition to agency facilities for collection, CIG maintains ~~one~~

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In the Office of Operations are the:

- 1. Contact Branch
- 2. Documents Branch
- 3. FBIB

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monitoring products.

Collection and Dissemination Coordination

In addition to the above active collection efforts and to field coordination, CIG is devoting much time to the coordination of the

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collection efforts of the agencies here ~~in~~ Washington ~~in~~ through clearing house arrangements and central reading panels.

Other Problems

The continued absence of legislation continues to hamper the soundest development of CIG in several directions, both within and without the Government.

Agency jealousies and suspicions have not yet been allayed but are becoming less serious ^{and some cooperation is becoming apparent.} By holding ~~more~~ frequent IAB meetings I hope to improve this situation.

④ One serious problem I believe I should bring to your particular attention is the general ~~absence~~ ^{lack} of properly qualified collectors of scientific intelligence. CIG is being called upon by the AEC, the JRDB and others for scientific intelligence and ~~it has no one or~~ ^{there is inadequate} ~~almost no one~~ ^{field} to put on the job. Some quarters have proposed the designations of scientific attaches to missions abroad. I have no present solution but in this age of scientific warfare it is a matter of importance.

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- ② Continuing evaluation of the organization and functions of CIG offices and our increasing experience serves to constantly improve our operations.

- ① Lack of central space adequate for all CIG offices brings about serious problems of administration and security.

① The line of demarcation is not always clear between national intelligence and agency intelligence. But we try consistently to limit our production efforts strictly to that national intelligence which ^{is} ~~will be~~ ~~useful~~ essential to national policy planners, leaving to the agencies that agency intelligence required for operational use of department officers.

② There remains some duplication of effort in this field by member agencies which it is hoped may soon be eliminated by mutual agreement.

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③ The Documents Branch is continuing the work of the old Washington Document Center in the exploitation of captured documents from the Far East and is now absorbing the German Military Document Section and the Special Document Section of the War Department Intelligence Division.

~~In accepting this work formerly done by the agencies, OIG has encountered difficulties because of foreign government participation and because OIG has no authority to maintain liaison with foreign governments.~~

Some of these were joint British-Canadian-American projects. This presents ^a difficulties ^{because of} ~~in view of~~ the lack of authority ~~for~~ OIG to maintain liaison with foreign governments, ^{a difficulty} which may require NIA resolution.

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I believe I should bring to your attention one serious problem. CIG is being called upon by the Atomic Energy Commission, the Joint Research and Development Board, and others for scientific intelligence. CIG is unable fully to meet these requirements because of the general lack of properly qualified collectors of scientific intelligence. Some quarters have proposed the designation of scientific attaches to missions abroad. I have no present solution but in this ^{age} ~~agency~~ of scientific warfare it is a matter of prime importance.

