

ORR Diary, 27 August 1951 (AD/RR information unless otherwise states)

AD/RR: The AD/RR ATTENDED a MEETING OF the SENIOR STAFF OF the NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL called to DISCUSS the ISSUANCE OF LICENSES FOR THE EXPORT OF AUTOMOBILE PARTS TO DENMARK FOR TRANSSHIPMENT TO POLAND IN EXCHANGE FOR POLISH COAL. CIA stressed the strategic importance of automobile parts. (1 1/2 hrs) (24 August)

ACTION: To DCI Diary

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25X1A9a Mr. ██████ ATTENDED MEETING OF the R PROCEDURE SUBCOMMITTEE at the Department of Commerce. ACTION WAS TAKEN ON the following export applications: STRAIN GAUGES AND BALL BEARING MACHINERY TO AUSTRIA, CAPSULE FILLING EQUIPMENT TO SPAIN, PH METER EQUIPMENT TO ITALY, PIPE WELDING EQUIPMENT FOR GERMANY and TOLUENE FOR THE NETHERLANDS. (2 hrs) (24 August)

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25X1A9a Mr. ██████ VISITED Office of International Trade, Department of COMMERCE, TO EXAMINE EXPORT APPLICATION RECORDS in response to a request from ██████, OSI, FOR INFORMATION ON EXPORTS OF the COMPREHENSIVE TECHNICAL CORPORATION OF NEW YORK. Mr. ██████ advised ██████ that there was no record of this company having filed any export applications since July 1950, but that a further check would be made with the appropriate Commerce licensing officer. (1 hr) (24 August)

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Mr. ██████ OCI, VISITED Mr. ██████ TO OBTAIN INFORMATION, at OPC request, ON MEXICAN SHIPMENTS OF STRATEGIC MATERIALS TO THE SOVIET BLOC. Mr. ██████ indicated that "spot" information on this subject was available in A/WAR files, that OPC had made previous inquiries for such information, and that OPC was invited (after appropriate clearance) to glean from A/WAR files any pertinent information they desired. (1/2 hr) (24 August)

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Mr. ██████ ATTENDED a MEETING OF the NSC SPECIAL EAST-WEST TRADE COMMITTEE. Papers were APPROVED which recommended making EXCEPTIONS FOR INDONESIA, ISRAEL, IRAN, LIBYA, AND PAKISTAN UNDER THE KEM AMENDMENT. The Committee decided that, for the purpose of considering certifications and exceptions under the Kem Amendment, dependent territories would not be considered apart from those countries exercising the appropriate administrative controls. The State Department representative estimated that a draft of a paper indicating means of decreasing reliance on Soviet bloc trade would be ready in approximately two weeks. An ECA coal specialist was on hand to answer questions on Polish coal exports to Western Europe. The discussion was for information purposes only. (2 hrs) (24 August)

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Mr. [REDACTED], O/O, CONTACTED Mr. [REDACTED] FOR INFORMATION FOR a U.S. MANUFACTURER who is CONCERNED OVER the EXCEPTIONALLY LARGE ORDERS FROM INDIA FOR STONE AND SHELL ASSEMBLIES FOR HONING MACHINES. Mr. [REDACTED] was advised that honing machines are on International List I (embargo) and that the export of excessive quantities of essential components of the machines to areas suspected of transshipment would be contrary to US security interests. It was suggested that the US manufacturer contact E. F. Becker, Director, Commercial Intelligence Division, Department of Commerce. (1/2 hr) (24 August)

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Messrs. [REDACTED] VISITED [REDACTED] p., ELECTRICAL MANUFACTURING PLANTS, TO OBTAIN DATA ON IMPORT FIGURES AND TO REVIEW MANUFACTURING METHODS. Of general interest: [REDACTED] advised that a number of companies have initiated Russian-language projects, designed for translating technical and trade articles: through OO/C, this may be a source for additional translations in special fields. (23-24 August)

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Mr. [REDACTED] HAD CONVERSATIONS WITH representatives of the MILITARY SERVICES REGARDING MP-35. A meeting was arranged for Monday, 27 August, for the review of charts and plans of interpretive comments. (1/2 hr) (24 August)

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Messrs. [REDACTED] CONFERRED WITH Mr. H. J. C. MacDonald, Foreign Minerals Division, BUREAU OF MINES, REGARDING PRODUCTION OF IRON ORE AND FERRO-ALLOY METALS IN THE USSR. It was agreed to have future meetings to discuss the minerals situation in the USSR. (1 1/2 hrs) (23 August)

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Mr. Rawson, STATE Department, CALLED Mr. [REDACTED] (S/TF) TO FIND OUT IF THERE WAS ANY EVIDENCE THAT YUGOSLAVIA HAD ENGAGED IN THE TRANSSHIPMENT OF US SPECIAL STEELS TO RUMANIA DURING 1950. No evidence of such was found. (1/4 hr) (24 August)

Messrs. [REDACTED] (S/COM) TALKED WITH Mr. Noel Granger of SIGNAL CORPS REGARDING the MAIN FIELDS OF INTEREST OF SIGNAL CORPS, with a view to determining intelligence coverage by various US agencies in the communications field. (1 1/2 hr) (24 August)

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Messrs. [REDACTED] (S/O) CONTACTED Messrs. [REDACTED] REGARDING FDD'S CONTRIBUTIONS TO PROJECTS 21-51, 22-51, 23-51. (2 hrs) (22 August)

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Mr. Aderhold, ONE, CONTACTED Messrs. [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] (S/TR) TO OBTAIN INFORMATION ON THE BERLIN RAIL BY-PASS AND ON THE NEW CANAL THE USSR IS BUILDING IN THE SOVIET ZONE OF GERMANY TO FACILITATE SHIPPING BETWEEN THE ELBE AND THE ODER. (1 hr) (21 August)

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Mr. [REDACTED] (S/TR) CONTACTED Messrs. [REDACTED] Liaison, OCD, TO OBTAIN INFORMATION CONCERNING ONI FILES ON SUSPICIOUS MERCHANT MARINE PERSONNEL in connection with a Coast Guard proposal for controlling merchant ships entering US ports. (1/2 hr) (24 August)

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Mr. [REDACTED], OCI, CONTACTED Mr. [REDACTED] (S/TR) TO OBTAIN THE NAMES OF MERCHANT VESSELS UNDER CHARTER TO THE USSR OR SATELLITES WHICH ARE ENGAGED IN TRADE WITH COMMUNIST CHINA. (1/2 hr) (24 August) 25X1A9a

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Mr. [REDACTED], OCI, CONTACTED Mr. [REDACTED] (S/TR) TO DISCUSS THE STATUS OF CERTAIN CHINESE NATIONALIST MERCHANT VESSELS UPON WHICH THE US HOLDS MORTGAGES. (1/2 hr) (24 August)

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Mr. [REDACTED] MET WITH Mrs. [REDACTED], MUNITIONS BOARD, TO REVIEW THE STATUS OF MUNITIONS BOARD PROJECT "B". (3/4 hr) (24 August)

Balance of ORR - Nothing to report

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