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Director Of
U.S. Intelligence
in Canberra

The director of the United States Central Intelligence Agency, Mr. Allen Dulles, arrived in Canberra yesterday for a series of top level security discussions in Australia.

Mr. Dulles, brother of the United States Secretary of State, Mr. John Dulles, and briefing officer to the National Security Council in Washington, came to Australia at the invitation of the Commonwealth Government, extended to him recently by the Minister for External Affairs, Mr. Casey.

The object of his tour is to check the security position of the United States and her allies in some areas vulnerable to Communist infiltration, particularly in the Seato areas.

He reached Canberra yesterday by special plane from Darwin after a visit to Djakarta. He lunched with the Prime Minister, Mr. Menzies, and after talks with him flew to Melbourne for talks with Australian Intelligence officers at the week-end.

Mr. Dulles will leave on Monday to continue his visit to South-East Asian countries, visiting the Philippines, Hong Kong, Tokyo and then returning to Washington.

Mr. Dulles said in Canberra he had gained a feeling of optimism and evidence about their strength and resistance to Communist expansion. He had a feeling that in the battle of ideas they were in front.