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UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD

MEMORANDUM FOR THE UNITED STATES INTELLIGENCE BOARD

SUBJECT : Measures for Improving U. S. Intelligence Efforts
Against Communist China

REFERENCE : USIB-M-395, 1 July 1965, item 4

1. The following excerpt on the subject from the minutes of the 1 July meeting of the United States Intelligence Board (reference item as approved without change at the 15 July USIB meeting) is circulated herewith for information and guidance of all concerned:

"The Chairman, referring to his previously expressed concern on the subject, stated that a review of Board discussions at recent USIB meetings indicated to him that the Board is in agreement as to the necessity for continuous monitoring and review of the Community's collective efforts against Communist China and for a means of drawing to the Board's attention steps which might be taken to eliminate deficiencies or effect improvements in these efforts.

"The Director indicated that in order to achieve these purposes and to assist him in fulfilling his responsibilities as Director of Central Intelligence in this important matter, he had designated [redacted] of his staff to be his representative with respect to intelligence activities concerning Communist China. The DCI stated that he would expect [redacted] to keep him and the Board informed of the programs and actions of member agencies concerning Communist China and to recommend to the DCI and USIB measures for improvement, both with regard to positive actions which might be taken and as to elimination of unwarranted duplication of the community's efforts. Chairman Raborn requested each member of the Board to name a specific individual in his agency with whom [redacted] may deal in carrying out his responsibilities.

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X1 In addition the DCI pointed out that he had instructed CIA to furnish the necessary staff support to [redacted]. The Chairman emphasized that the task he had assigned to [redacted] is separate from, and in addition to, his responsibilities as Chairman of the Critical Collection Problems Committee (CCPC) and his normal staff assignment. 25X

X1 "In response to a question by the State member concerning the DCI statement regarding unwarranted duplication of effort, the Chairman stated he assumed that, as we go along in the future, we would find a number of ways in which particular intelligence efforts against Communist China could be accomplished, and he wished to avoid unnecessary competition for manpower and other resources. The State member referred to a previous report on this general subject by the CCPC in which that committee highlighted the need for competent staff personnel to deal with this problem. Chairman Raborn stated that necessary staff support to [redacted] would be furnished by CIA. 25X

X1 "There being no comments or dissenting views on the Chairman's proposal, USIB concurred in the appointment by the DCI of [redacted] and agreed to furnish the names of specific representatives with whom [redacted] may deal in carrying out his responsibilities." X1

X1 2. The names of the representatives designated by USIB agencies to work with [redacted] pursuant to the above-quoted minute are circulated in the attachment hereto for information. 25X

[redacted]
Executive Secretary

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1. Proposed Terms of Reference
for a SNIE on Vietnam

(A brief summary of discussion on this item is contained in the Special Annex to these minutes.)

2. Approval of Minutes
24 June Meeting
(USIB-M-394, including Annex distributed through special channels)

Approved as circulated.

3. Watch Report No. 775

Approved as amended.

4. Measures for Improving
U. S. Intelligence Efforts
Against Communist China
(Response to Item 8, USIB-M-393, 17 June; distributed through special channels)

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In response to a question by the State member concerning the DCI statement regarding unwarranted duplication of effort, the Chairman stated he assumed that, as we go along in the future, we would find a number of ways in which particular intelligence efforts against Communist China could be accomplished, and he wished to avoid unnecessary competition for manpower and other resources. The State member referred to a previous report on this general subject by the CCPC in which that committee highlighted the need for competent staff personnel to deal with this problem. Chairman Raborn stated that necessary staff support to [] would be furnished by CIA.

There being no comments or dissenting views on the Chairman's proposal, USIB concurred in the appointment by the DCI of [] [] and agreed to furnish the names of specific representatives with whom [] may deal in carrying out his responsibilities.

5. Release of Information on
Future Communist Chinese
Nuclear Tests
(USIB-D-17.6/26, 22 June)

Approved as circulated the recommendations on this subject

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Based upon the above discussion, the Board then proceeded to take specific actions enumerated in the following three items.

6. Review of Intelligence
Activities Against
Communist China

a. Note the reports on the subject by Board members circulated as USIB-D-64.6/21.

b. Approve the recommendations on the subject by the Critical Collection Problems Committee (CCPC) contained in Annex A of USIB-D-64.6/23, subject to changing the reporting period in Recommendation g. from six to three months.

7. Post-Mortem on
NIE 13-9-65,
"Communist China's
Foreign Policy"

a. Approve the subject Post-Mortem.

b. Request USIB members to take such actions as they deem appropriate with respect to the serious gaps cited in the Findings of this Post-Mortem.

c. Refer the subject Post-Mortem to the CCPC for review and for consideration, and report to the USIB of actions being taken or deemed appropriate regarding the serious gaps cited therein.

8. Actions to Increase the
Quantity and Quality of
Intelligence on Communist
China

The Director of Central Intelligence stated that, while he fully supported the Board's decisions in items 6 and 7 above as promising

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steps in improving intelligence coverage on Communist China, he stressed that the intelligence community must devote its highest priority efforts to an area which is threatening to become of first priority concern to our national security. He was convinced that measures must be developed to provide for:

- a. Continuing scrutiny of the overall community effort on the Communist China problem, including the status of implementation of USIB decisions related thereto such as those in items 6 and 7 above.
- b. Advice and recommendations as required to the DCI and USIB on actions to correct deficiencies or achieve improvements.
- c. Communications by the DCI as appropriate to the Secretary of State, the Secretary of Defense and other top level officials to express his personal belief that first priority should now be given to certain intelligence efforts to produce essential operational intelligence data on Communist China.

The DCI said that he was directing Dr. Cline to submit for USIB consideration at an early meeting proposals to accomplish the measures outlined above, along with his recommendations for long-term actions on this general subject pursuant to the Chairman's request in the 19 May USIB meeting, and taking into account the results of the recent Quadripartite Conference.

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