

DIARY NOTES

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12, 13, 14 August 1953

1. Colonel Edwards reported that Mr. Nichols of the Washington Post telephoned him last night stating that the Atomic Energy Commission and the Department of Defense had issued statements to the effect that Mr. McCarthy's alleged Communists had not had access to their material and requested a statement from us. Being unable to reach Colonel Grogan or anyone else in authority, Colonel Edwards told Mr. Nichols that he was not authorized to give out such information but that if he could be assured that his name would not be used he could state that CIA's position was the same as the other agencies, i.e., we were certain that our work had not been done at the GPO main plant. H

2. Mr. Cole, Deputy Public Printer, called to advise me that a check of his records indicated that no "secret" or "top secret" material had been printed by the Government Printing Office for CIA and stated that the McCarthy Committee would be so informed. H

3. [REDACTED] Chief Administrative and Finance Officer at the [REDACTED] was in for a brief visit and impressed me as being a very capable individual. He advised me that [REDACTED] had no table of organization which could be considered at all current and felt that this situation should be rectified. He believes that [REDACTED] could make major contributions in the preparation of the budget. For example, he stated that this year [REDACTED] was asked to supply information on five major categories which, insofar as he could tell, had no relation to the Government Accounting Classification System 01.08, etc. He also said that FI projects were very confusing in that information was received that an FI project was approved for "x" number of dollars, running, for example, from 1 March to 1 November, and there was no indication as to which Fiscal Year the money was to come, etc. He also said that on these projects there was usually no idea of how much headquarters was spending against them nor of how much the field was spending. He believes that each project should stipulate how much is retained for headquarters' expenditure and how much can be spent in the field, otherwise, obviously, it is extremely difficult to maintain any control.

4. I have asked Ed Saunders to examine with GSA the amount of money which they charge to CIA for guards. Shef reports that GSA charges for each guard an amount which equals the salary of a captain of the guards.

5. Have requested Mr. Saunders to expedite the publication of instructions in connection with the preparation of the budget for Fiscal Year 1955.

6. Have asked Ed to prepare requests for the use of reserve funds in connection with Projects [REDACTED]

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7. Have also requested Ed to prepare a memorandum to the Deputies, the Director of Training, and the Assistant Director (Communications) advising them as to what the Bureau of the Budget will require before it will release funds.

8. Talked to Mr. Wisner on Friday about a special project which might require the release of funds from the reserve and concerning which we probably would go direct to Mr. Dodge.

9. [REDACTED] and I discussed the allocation of the remaining air conditioning units. Told Howard it was my opinion that those units, about forty, which were to be used in I, J, K, L, M, and Q Buildings as replacements should be put into the new temporary space that we would occupy, unless there were overriding reasons to the contrary.

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10. Discussed Bureau of the Budget Bulletin on "Use of Motor Vehicles and Chauffeurs" with Mr. Garrison and [REDACTED] and have asked [REDACTED] to "carry the ball" insofar as he can on this matter. As an immediate step, we should publish a Notice advising all personnel of the laws governing the use of Government cars. As a second step, we should prepare a staff study to insure that our cars in the Washington area are being used efficiently and economically. As a third step, the report required by the Bureau of the Budget should be prepared for consideration by the Deputy Director (Administration) and, possibly, the Director. At that time we may decide to delete certain information pertaining to vehicles overseas and vehicles employed in other sensitive areas.

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12. Jim also reports that there is some confusion concerning [REDACTED] construction which will have to be ironed out later this month. I told him that when he and [REDACTED] had agreed what we should do I would like to talk to him about it, but, as I saw it, whatever we were going to do must be done within the four and one-half months already allocated to this project.

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14. Met with [REDACTED]. Told him that I would like to see [REDACTED], Supply Officer on the Medical Staff who is just back from the Far East where he looked into medical logistical problems. Also told [REDACTED] that I would

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