

Chief, TSD/TR

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Acting Chief, [REDACTED]

Briefing of Governor Darden on TSD Activities [REDACTED]

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1. At the request of [REDACTED] a thirty minute briefing was presented on 9 May 1961 to Colgate W. Darden, former governor of Virginia. This briefing was part of a day's program intended to familiarize the Governor with the training activities conducted [REDACTED] Mr. Kirkpatrick, IG, and Mr. Baird, D/TR, accompanied the guest and were in attendance at the briefing.

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2. The briefing outlined the scope and degree of the technical support provided to [REDACTED]. Further remarks were made covering the training methods and facilities used to conduct this instruction. No unusual TSD items were displayed in conjunction with the briefing.

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3. At the conclusion of the briefing, the Governor was asked if he had any questions. His only comment was that he was too befuddled to ask any. This reply was indeed discouraging, since it indicated to the undersigned that either the material presented was too technical, or was delivered too rapidly. The Governor's reply, however, does represent the first honest audience response to this type of briefing. This failure to communicate will be kept in mind when preparing future briefings of this nature.

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