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1. COMPLETED PROJECTS

(October 17, 1949 - October 31, 1949)

NSC 37/8 THE POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES WITH RESPECT TO FORMOSA
(See NSC Action No. 254 a)

AUSTRIAN TREATY NEGOTIATIONS
(See NSC Action No. 255 a)

NSC 55 BRITISH VIEWS RESPECTING HONG KONG
55/1 (See NSC Action No. 256)

STUDY OF CHENNAULT PLAN BY THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF
(See memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same
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MEASURES REQUIRED TO ACHIEVE U. S. OBJECTIVES WITH RESPECT TO THE USSR

(Ref. NSC 20/4; NSC 35; Memos for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated May 25 and June 21, 1949; Memo for Consultants from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated March 30, 1949)

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(NSC 58)

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U. S. POLICY TOWARD THE CONTROVERSY BETWEEN THE USSR AND YUGOSLAVIA

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REQUEST FOR JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF VIEWS ON FUTURE COURSES OF UNITED STATES ACTION WITH RESPECT TO AUSTRIA
(Memo for Secretary of Defense from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated September 26, 1949, ref. NSC 38 Series)

The JCS have been requested to furnish their views on certain aspects of the future courses of U. S. action with respect to Austria which the NSC Staff is now considering. These views are for the information and consideration of the National Security Council in connection with the NSC 38 Series. (See also Section 3).

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NATIONAL SECURITY OBJECTIVES OF THE UNITED STATES

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(October 31, 1949 - November 14, 1949)

(NONE)

2. PROJECTS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE NSC

INTERNAL SECURITY

(Progress Report on Implementation of NSC 17/4, NSC 17/6, dated November 7, 1949)

First quarterly report by the NSC Representative on Internal Security, pursuant to paragraph 6 (f) of NSC 17/4, scheduled as Item 1 for information on the agenda of the 48th Council meeting, November 17.

FUTURE COURSES OF U. S. ACTION WITH RESPECT TO AUSTRIA

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UNITED STATES POLICY REGARDING TRADE WITH CHINA
(NSC 41/1)

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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

STATUS OF PROJECTS

1. COMPLETED PROJECTS

(November 14, 1949 - December 6, 1949)

PROGRESS REPORT ON INTERNAL SECURITY
(See NSC Action No. 259)

NSC 38/4 FUTURE COURSES OF U. S. ACTION WITH RESPECT TO AUSTRIA
(See NSC Action No. 260)

NSC 18/4 UNITED STATES POLICY TOWARD THE CONFLICT BETWEEN THE
USSR AND YUGOSLAVIA
(See NSC Action No. 261)

2. PROJECTS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE NSC

UNITED STATES POLICY TOWARD THE SOVIET SATELLITE STATES IN
EASTERN EUROPE

(NSC 58/1, 58; Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated October 19, 1949)

Report by the Department of State (NSC 58) circulated September 14, 1949 for the information of Council members. At the request of the Department of Defense, and with the concurrence of the Department of State, the reference report was referred on October 20 to the NSC Staff for study and preparation of a report to the Council (reference memo of October 19). CIA Intelligence Memorandum No. 248, "Satellite Relations with the USSR and the West" was furnished to the Staff for consideration in connection with the preparation of the study. Staff draft study concurred in by NSC Consultants on December 6 and submitted to the Council as NSC 58/1. Scheduled for consideration as item 1 on the agenda for the 49th NSC Meeting on December 8, 1949.

POLICY DIRECTIVE TO UNITED STATES HIGH COMMISSIONER FOR GERMANY
(Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated November 18, 1949)

As requested by the Under Secretary of State, the subject policy directive and his memo relating thereto were circulated for the information of the Council by the reference memo of November 18 and are scheduled as item 2 on the agenda for the 49th Council Meeting on December 8, 1949 (See also Section 5).

SECURITY OF INFORMATION ON INTELLIGENCE SOURCES AND METHODS
(Memos for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated August 10 and 31, and October 6, 1949; NSC 50)

Proposed National Security Council Intelligence Directive on above subject submitted by the Director of Central Intelligence pursuant to par. 7 of NSC 50 (NSC Action No. 237d). Action requested by reference memo dated August 31. Approved by NSRB, Sept. 6; and by the Attorney General, Sept. 24. Additional paragraph proposed by the Acting Secretary of State circulated for consideration by the other NSC members, the Secretary of the Treasury and the Attorney General by memo dated October 6, 1949. Approved with proposed additional paragraph by NSRB, October 12; by the Attorney General, October 24; by Treasury, November 4; by Defense, November 10. Awaiting action by other Council members.

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UNDER CONSIDERATION BY NSC (Cont'd)

AVOIDANCE OF PUBLICITY CONCERNING THE INTELLIGENCE AGENCIES OF THE U. S. GOVERNMENT

(Memos for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated August 18 and 31, and October 6, 1949; NSC 50)

Proposed National Security Council Intelligence Directive on above subject submitted by the Director of Central Intelligence pursuant to par. 7 of NSC 50 (NSC Action No. 237d). Action requested by reference memo dated August 31. Approved by NSRB, Sept. 6; and by the Attorney General, Sept. 24. Additional paragraph proposed by the Acting Secretary of State circulated for consideration by the other NSC members, the Attorney General, and the Secretary of the Treasury, by memo dated October 6. Approved with proposed additional paragraph by NSRB, October 12; by the Attorney General, October 24; by Treasury, November 4; by Defense, November 10. Awaiting action by other Council members.

GENERAL PRINCIPLES GOVERNING THE CONDUCT OF OVERT PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE IN THE INITIAL STAGES OF WAR OR EMERGENCY

(NSC 43/1; Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated September 7, 1949)

Report by the Secretary of State, prepared by the organization established within the Department of State pursuant to par. 1 of NSC 43, and concurred in by the policy consultants designated pursuant to par. 2b of NSC 43, submitted for consideration by the Council. Concurred in by Treasury, August 4; by NSRB, August 15. Revisions proposed by the Secretary of Defense were submitted to the other Council members and the Secretary of the Treasury on September 7 for consideration. Approved by Treasury, September 8. Awaiting action by other Council members.

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UNDER CONSIDERATION BY NSC (Cont'd)

MEASURES REQUIRED TO ACHIEVE U. S. OBJECTIVES WITH RESPECT TO THE USSR

(Ref. NSC 20/4; NSC 35; Memos for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated May 25 and June 21, 1949; Memo for Consultants from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated March 30, 1949)

On the basis of the statement of U. S. risks and objectives with respect to the USSR (NSC 20/4) as adopted by the Council and approved by the President, the Staff drafted specific measures required to achieve those objectives, pursuant to NSC Action No. 88-b. In this connection, the Staff considered the views of the JCS on military commitments, which were circulated as NSC 35 for Council information and Staff use. Staff draft report presented to Consultants January 11. Referred back to Staff for revisions in the light of the discussion at the Consultants' meeting on January 17. Staff request that JCS views on "military readiness" be obtained for use in completing final draft of report was transmitted to the Secretary of Defense, January 19. JCS views incorporated by the NSC Staff in a draft report submitted to the Consultants by memo dated March 30. Concurred in by Navy and NSRB, April 1; by Air Force, April 5; by Army, April 12. State recommendations regarding this project submitted by memo dated May 25 to Council. Defense proposal with respect to State recommendations submitted to the Council for consideration by memo dated June 21. To be scheduled for consideration at a forthcoming Council meeting.

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3. PROJECTS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE NSC CONSULTANTSPLANNING FOR LIMITED JAPANESE ARMED FORCES

(NSC 44 and memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, subject: "Limited Military Armament for Japan", dated March 11, 1949; Memo for Consultants from Executive Secretary, above subject, dated April 27, 1949)

Study by the Department of the Army, "Limited Military Armament for Japan", and comments thereon by General MacArthur and the JCS, referred by the Secretary of Defense for examination by the NSC Staff with a view to preparing possible amendments to NSC 13/3 for Council consideration. Draft report submitted to the Consultants, April 27. Concurred in by Defense and Navy, May 3; by Army, May 5; by NSRB, May 7; by Air, May 9. Awaiting action by State, pending the results of informal consultation between State and Defense.

THE POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES WITH RESPECT TO ASIA

(NSC 48; Memos for NSC from Executive Secretary, "Appraisal of U. S. National Interests in South Asia", dated June 2 and 17, 1949; NSC 49; NSC 51; NSC 55; NSC 37/6; NSC 37/7; NSC 37/8; Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, "U. S. Policy Toward Asia", dated September 9; Memo for Consultants from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated October 26)

A request by the Secretary of Defense (NSC 48) for a study of the current situation in Asia was circulated on June 10 for the information of the Council and referred to the NSC Staff for the preparation of a report for Council consideration. The reports referenced above were considered by the NSC Staff in connection with the preparation of the report requested by NSC 48. Staff draft submitted to Consultants by memo dated October 26. Revisions to draft suggested by Consultants at meeting on December 1. Revised draft to be considered at forthcoming meeting of the Consultants. Awaiting further action by all Consultants.

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4. PROJECTS IN PREPARATION BY NSC STAFF

U. S. POLICY CONCERNING MILITARY COLLABORATION UNDER THE INTER-AMERICAN TREATY OF RECIPROCAL ASSISTANCE
(NSC 56)

Report by the Secretary of Defense, including a draft NSC report on the subject and an interim directive to the Chairman of the U. S. Delegation, Inter-American Defense Board, circulated to the Council for information and referred to the NSC Staff for use in the preparation of a report for Council consideration. Awaiting Staff report.

ANALYSIS OF POSSIBLE U. S. ASSUMPTION OF BRITISH MILITARY COMMITMENTS

Upon the informal suggestion of the Department of State, the NSC Staff initiated, on September 22, an analysis to show which British military commitments we might have to take over if the British gave them up and the possible cost to us. Initial draft being prepared by Defense. CIA Intelligence Memorandum No. 235 on "Britain's Overseas Military Commitments", furnished to Staff October 13, and ORE 93-49, on November 21, for consideration in connection with the subject. Awaiting Staff study.

UNITED STATES POLICY REGARDING TRADE WITH CHINA
(NSC 41/1)

A report by the Secretary of State, circulated to the Council for information, has been referred at the suggestion of the Secretary of State to the NSC Staff for preparation, as a matter of urgent priority, of a report for consideration by the Council. Also at the suggestion of the Secretary of State, the views of the Department of Commerce are being obtained in connection with the Staff study, and the Secretary of Commerce will be invited to participate in any Council consideration of the report. Suggested State revisions received December 2 under consideration by Staff. Awaiting Staff study.

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5. OTHER CURRENT PROJECTSU. S. POLICY TOWARD GERMANY
(NSC Action No. 176)

The NSC Sub-committee on Germany, established by NSC Action No. 176, met initially on January 28, 1949, pursuant to the reference action, approved a procedure for its activities and designated representatives as a Steering Group. It was agreed that the Department of State would prepare for consideration by the Steering Group the first draft of a restatement of our policy toward Germany, and that the Steering Group should undertake concurrently the preparation of position papers on the following problems, the first four of which should have priority over the remainder:

1. Occupation Statute for Western Germany
2. Trizonal Fusion Agreement
3. German Constitution
4. Ruhr Control Plan
5. Prohibited and Restricted Industries
6. Reparations
7. Western Germany's Long Range Economic Program
(GARIOA and ECA)
8. Western Berlin Currency Situation

The Steering Group held 15 meetings to March 30, 1949 at which the above subjects were discussed. These discussions were reflected in position papers on Germany presented to the President by the Secretary of State on March 31, 1949 preparatory to the meeting of the Foreign Ministers of the United Kingdom, France and the United States held in Washington. Subsequent to this meeting, the position papers, noted above, prepared by the Department of State, and the Agreements reached by the three Foreign Ministers on April 8, 1949, were circulated to the NSC Members by memoranda from the Executive Secretary, subject, "The Position of the U. S. with respect to Germany", dated April 28 and 29, 1949, respectively. These were noted by the Council at its 39th Meeting on May 5 (NSC Action No. 212). Preparatory to the Sixth Meeting of the Council of Foreign Ministers in Paris, May 23 to June 20, 1949, the NSC discussed the position of the U. S. with respect to Germany in the light of the paper by the Secretary of State circulated to Council Members by a memo from the Executive Secretary, dated May 16, 1949 (NSC Action No. 215).

Awaiting first draft from the Department of State of a report on U. S. policy toward Germany.

(See also Section 2).

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OTHER CURRENT PROJECTS (Cont'd)

THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY AND NATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR INTELLIGENCE

(NSC Actions Nos. 231 and 237; NSC 50)

NSC Action No. 231, as amended by NSC Action No. 237d., calls for submission within a period of 6 months by the Director of Central Intelligence, in addition to those reports already submitted, a progress report on particular intelligence questions requiring coordination or attention (paragraph 4a of NSC 50). Awaiting above report by the Director of Central Intelligence.

REQUEST FOR JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF VIEWS ON FUTURE COURSES OF UNITED STATES ACTION WITH RESPECT TO AUSTRIA

(Memo for Secretary of Defense from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated September 26, 1949, ref. NSC 38 Series)

The JCS have been requested to furnish their views for the information of the Council on certain aspects of the future courses of U. S. action with respect to Austria in connection with the NSC 38 Series. Awaiting report by the JCS. (See also Section 2.)

MILITARY ASSISTANCE FOR EMERGENCY NEEDS

(Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated November 23, 1949, ref. NSC 18/4, paragraph 28.)

Pursuant to par. 28 of NSC 18/4, approved by the President on November 18, 1949, the Secretaries of State and Defense, the Chairman of the NSRB, the Attorney General, and the Director of the Bureau of the Budget have been requested to designate representatives to assist in the preparation of a study on the methods by which the United States can make available military assistance to meet emergency needs not provided for in existing legislation. The Director of Central Intelligence has been requested to prepare an estimate of likely contingencies where military assistance may be requested which is not provided for in existing legislation, together with an analysis of problems in connection therewith peculiar to particular foreign countries or areas. Awaiting designation of representatives and estimate by the Director of Central Intelligence.

6. DEFERRED PROJECTS

NATIONAL SECURITY OBJECTIVES OF THE UNITED STATES

Study initiated by NSC Staff December 2, 1947 as a long-term project. First draft issued February 25, 1948. Further consideration subsequently deferred until after NSC action on the NSC 20 and 35 Series. Awaiting completion of a study on this subject being prepared by the Department of State as a long-term project.

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