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NATIONAL SECURITY COUNCIL

STATUS OF PROJECTS

1. COMPLETED PROJECTS

(October 2, 1950-October 9, 1950)

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NONE

2. PROJECTS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE NSC

A. ITEM SCHEDULED ON AGENDA FOR 69TH NSC MEETING, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1950

UNITED STATES POLICY ON DEFECTORS
(NSC 86)

The reference report by the Secretary of Defense, enclosing a memorandum by the Joint Secretaries on the subject, was submitted for consideration by the National Security Council and the Secretary of the Treasury of the Recommendation contained therein that an ad hoc committee be appointed to undertake a study of the entire defector problem. Scheduled on the agenda of the senior NSC staff (see Section 3A) prior to consideration by the Council. Scheduled for consideration as item 1 on the agenda for the 69th NSC Meeting, Thursday, October 12. (See also Section 3A, item 1.)

UNITED STATES POLICY TOWARD ISRAEL AND THE ARAB STATES
(Progress Report, dated September 13, 1950, by the Acting Secretary of State on NSC 47/2)

Circulated for the information of the Council and scheduled as item 2 on the agenda for the 69th NSC Meeting, Thursday, October 12. (See also Section 3A, item 1.)

U. S. OBJECTIVES WITH RESPECT TO GREECE AND TURKEY TO COUNTER SOVIET THREATS TO U. S. SECURITY
(Progress Report, dated September 19, 1950, by the Acting Secretary of State on NSC 42/1.)

Circulated for the information of the Council and scheduled as item 3 on the agenda for the 69th NSC Meeting, Thursday, October 12. (See also Section 3A, item 1.)

NSC 26/2
(Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated September 25, 1950)

Memo by the Acting Secretary of State on the subject circulated by the reference memo for the information of the Council, with particular reference to the last sentence of the first paragraph of the memo by the Acting Secretary of State. Scheduled for information as item 4 on the agenda for the 69th NSC Meeting, Thursday, October 12. (See also Section 3A, item 1.)

PROJECTS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE NSC (Cont'd)

ADDITIONAL AIRLIFT TO SUPPORT THE FAR EAST

(Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated September 27, 1950)

Memo by the Secretary of Defense on the subject with reference to the phase-out of the Berlin airlift (NSC 24/4) was circulated by the reference memo for the information of the Council. Scheduled as item 5 on the agenda for the 69th NSC Meeting. (See also Section 3A, item 1, and Section 3c., item on "Berlin Blockade.")

PEACE OFFENSIVE CONCERNING KOREA

(NSC 80)

Memo on the subject by the Joint Secretaries, circulated as NSC 80 on the recommendation of the Secretary of Defense and with the concurrence of the President for the information of the NSC and the Secretary of the Treasury and referred to the NSC Staff for use in the preparation of a report for Council consideration. At its meeting on September 6, the senior NSC staff agreed to discuss in detail, with the assistance of specialists in the field, at its regular meeting on Friday, September 15, the following points in the light of a possible stalemate in Korea: (1) psychological and diplomatic measures in support of existing U. S. policy with respect to Korea; (2) the desirability of a change in U. S. policy toward Korea. At its meeting on September 15, the senior NSC staff deferred further consideration of this matter pending the outcome of current military operations. At its meeting on October 4, the senior NSC staff agreed that this project should be cancelled in the light of current developments in Korea. Accordingly, the Executive Secretary will make an oral report to this effect in connection with item 6, "NSC Status of Projects", on the agenda of the 69th Council Meeting.

B. ITEMS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY MEMORANDUM ACTION

NSC 10/2

(Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated June 19, 1950)

Memorandum by the Chairman, NSRB, recommending a revision of NSC 10/2, submitted for Council consideration by the reference memo of June 19. Approved by State with comments, July 7, 1950. Awaiting action by other Council members. At the request of the Chairman, NSRB, this matter will be scheduled on the agenda of a later Council meeting.

PROJECTS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE NSC (Cont'd)

A PLAN FOR NATIONAL PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE

(NSC 74; Memos for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated July 10, and September 14, 1950)

The reference report on the subject, transmitted by the Under Secretary of State and prepared by the organization established pursuant to NSC 59/1, submitted for consideration by the Council and the Secretary of the Treasury by the reference memo of July 10. Approved August 4 by State, subject to comments; approved September 13 by Defense, subject to proposed changes and conditions. Actions by State and Defense submitted for Council consideration in connection with NSC 74 by the reference memo dated September 14. Awaiting memorandum action by other Council members and the Secretary of the Treasury and study by the senior NSC staff. (See also Section 3C)

COORDINATION OF U. S. AID PROGRAMS FOR FAR EASTERN AREAS

(NSC 61/1; NSC 61; Memos for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated May 16 and August 14, 1950)

Pursuant to NSC 61, a report by the Under Secretaries of State and the Army, and with the concurrence of the President, representatives for a Working Group were designated by the Secretaries of State, Defense, and the Treasury, and Commerce, and the Economic Cooperation Administrator, to prepare a report looking to closer coordination of economic and military aid programs generally for Far Eastern areas. The report, prepared by the Working Group with the assistance of a representative of the Bureau of the Budget, was submitted for consideration by the reference memo as NSC 61/1. Approved by the Secretaries of the Treasury and Commerce; disapproved by the Economic Cooperation Administrator, with comment. Reply of the Secretary of Defense with the views of the JCS, circulated by the reference memo of August 14, which summarizes the above replies and suggests an appropriate Council action in the light thereof. Approved by Defense and Treasury, August 17; by NSRB and ECA, August 18; by Commerce, with comments, August 19. Awaiting action by other Council members with respect to the suggestion in the reference memo of August 14.

PROJECTS UNDER CONSIDERATION BY THE NSC (Cont'd)

C. ITEMS AWAITING SUBSEQUENT NSC CONSIDERATION

UNITED STATES POLICY TOWARD SPAIN
(NSC 72; NSC 72/1; NSC Action No. 312)

JCS Views on the subject circulated as NSC 72 for the information of the Council. State views on the subject in response to NSC 72, circulated as NSC 72/1, also for the information of the Council. At its 60th Meeting the Council discussed the subject, deferred further action until the next Council meeting, and directed the NSC Consultants to study the reference papers in preparation for further Council consideration. Discussion of the subject further deferred at the request of Defense. To be scheduled on the agenda of a later Council meeting. (See also Section 3C.)

THE CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY AND NATIONAL ORGANIZATION FOR INTELLIGENCE

(Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated December 28, 1949; NSC Actions Nos. 231 and 237; NSC 50)

Final progress report by the Director of Central Intelligence, of those called for by NSC 50 and NSC Actions Nos. 231 and 237, circulated by the reference memo for Council information.

3. CURRENT NSC STAFF PROJECTS

A. SENIOR NSC STAFF

AGENDA FOR 69th NSC MEETING (Dated October 9, 1950)

Scheduled as the agenda for the senior staff meeting on Wednesday, October 11, for discussion and, if possible, agreement on appropriate Council action to be recommended.

THE POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES WITH RESPECT TO INDOCHINA

In accordance with the agreement at the senior NSC staff meeting on Wednesday, October 4, 1950, further discussion of this subject will be scheduled on the agenda of an early senior NSC staff meeting with a view to preparing a report for early consideration by the NSC.

OPERATION OF ISBRANDTSEN COMPANY, INC. SHIPS TO COMMUNIST COUNTRIES (NSC 87)

Memorandum by the JCS circulated, at the request of the Secretary of Defense, to the Council for information and referred to the NSC Staff for use in the preparation, as a matter of priority, of recommendations as to specific governmental measures to be taken, for early consideration by the Council, the Secretary of the Treasury, the Attorney General, and the Secretary of Commerce. Awaiting consideration by the senior staff, augmented by officials from Justice and Commerce for this item.

U. S. POLICY WITH RESPECT TO FORMOSA

At its meeting on Wednesday, October 4, the senior staff agreed that the senior State member should recommend at a later meeting whether preparation of a report on the above subject was desirable. Awaiting recommendation by the senior State member.

CURRENT NSC STAFF PROJECTS (Cont'd)

UNITED STATES OBJECTIVES AND PROGRAMS FOR NATIONAL SECURITY

(NSC 68/2; NSC 68/1 and Annexes to NSC 68/1; NSC 68; NSC Actions Nos. 289, 295, 302, 304, 307, 308-d, 321, 326, 342-b, 350-b, 351 and 361)

In the light of NSC Actions Nos. 361-a and 361-b, the senior NSC staff, with the assistance of the ad hoc committee on NSC 68, on Monday, October 2:

- a. Agreed that the senior Defense and JCS members should as soon as possible obtain and make available for use in revising NSC 68/1 the views of the Secretary of Defense on the military programs under NSC 68.
- b. Agreed that the ad hoc committee on NSC 68 should meanwhile commence the preparation of revised recommendations relating to the other programs contained in Annexes 1 to 7 of NSC 68/1.
- c. Agreed that Annex 8 of NSC 68/1 would be discussed by the senior staff at an early meeting.
- d. Agreed that the Bureau of the Budget should be responsible for preparing for consideration by the senior staff a revision of Annex 9 of NSC 68/1 in the light of the views of the various departments and agencies.
- e. Constituted a special committee, consisting of officials of the Council of Economic Advisers (Chairman), the Department of the Treasury, the National Security Resources Board, the Bureau of the Budget, and Mr. Harriman's office, with the participation of other departments and agencies whenever appropriate, to prepare agreed recommendations regarding Annex 10 of NSC 68/1 for consideration by the senior staff.

In accordance with the agreement at the senior NSC staff meeting on Wednesday, October 4, the study on "U. S. military capabilities" referred to in NSC Action No. 308-d will be covered in connection with the revision of NSC 68/1 rather than as a separate project. (See also Section 6.)

At the direction of the President, the Secretary of Commerce has been requested to designate an official to join with the senior staff in the revision of NSC 68/1

Awaiting report by the senior Defense and JCS members on the military programs under NSC 68. (See Section 3-C for details on the progress of other assignments.)

CURRENT NSC STAFF PROJECTS (Cont'd)

LONG-TERM POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC FRAMEWORK
(Annex No. 8 to NSC 68/1)

In accordance with the agreement at the senior NSC staff meeting on Friday, October 6, 1950, the Department of State will present, for consideration by the senior staff, proposals regarding a "concerted political drive" by October 20. Awaiting State proposals. (See also related projects above and in Section 3-C.)

THE POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES WITH RESPECT TO IRISH PARTICIPATION IN NATO AND MDAP
(NSC 83)

Memo by the Secretary of Defense, recommending that the NSC Staff study the matter and submit a report thereon for the consideration of the Council, was circulated as NSC 83 for the information of the Council and referred to the NSC Staff for use in preparing a report. At its meeting on September 13 the senior staff directed the staff assistants to prepare a draft report. Draft by staff assistants submitted on October 9 for senior staff consideration. Awaiting senior staff consideration.

JAPANESE PEACE TREATY
(NSC 60/1)

At its meeting on September 15 the senior staff agreed that this subject should be a continuing NSC project and that accordingly the senior State member should keep the senior staff informed of any security policy issues which may arise, with a view to further consideration of the subject.

NSC DETERMINATIONS ON EAST-WEST TRADE

In connection with the Council's responsibilities on the subject under Chapter XIII, Section 1304, of Public Law 843, 81st Congress, 2nd Session, approved September 27, 1950, the senior NSC staff agreed at its meeting on Wednesday, October 4, 1950, that the senior State member should present recommendations on the subject for consideration by the senior staff. Awaiting report by the senior State member.

CURRENT NSC STAFF PROJECTS (Cont'd)

B. NSC STAFF ASSISTANTS

THE POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES WITH RESPECT TO IRAN

State draft report dated August 8, 1950 revised by State in the light of the staff assistants' discussion on August 29, and circulated September 8, 1950. At the senior staff meeting on Wednesday, October 4, it was agreed that this project should be completed as a matter of priority. Redraft dated October 9 circulated to staff assistants and awaiting their consideration.

THE POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES WITH RESPECT TO GREECE

State draft report circulated August 8, 1950, to be revised by State in the light of the staff assistants' discussion on September 7. At the senior staff meeting on Wednesday, October 4, it was agreed that this project, among others, while not matters of priority, should be completed as rapidly as possible. Awaiting revised draft by State scheduled for completion early this week.

THE POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES TOWARD YUGOSLAVIA

(NSC 73/4, par. 37-a-(2); memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, subject: "United States Policy Toward Yugoslavia and the Furnishing of Military Assistance to Yugoslavia in Case of Aggression", dated September 5, 1950)

Memo by the Joint Chiefs of Staff circulated by the reference memo at the request of the Secretary of Defense for the information of the Council, and referred to the NSC Staff for use in connection with studies being prepared pursuant to NSC Action No. 348-b, with particular reference to the review of NSC 18/4. Referred by the senior NSC staff to the staff assistants for use in the preparation of a revised report on the above subject. At the senior staff meeting on Wednesday, October 4, it was agreed that this project, among others, while not matters of priority, should be completed as rapidly as possible. Awaiting initial draft report by State.

GENERAL STATEMENTS OF PRINCIPLE DERIVED FROM NSC POLICY REPORTS
(NSC 73/4)

At its meeting on September 6, the senior NSC staff agreed that the staff assistants should examine existing NSC policy reports with a view to deriving therefrom any general statements of principle. At the senior staff meeting on Wednesday, October 4, it was agreed that this project, among others, while not matters of priority, should be completed as rapidly as possible. Awaiting review of existing NSC policy reports by the staff assistants.

CURRENT NSC STAFF PROJECTS (Cont'd)

APPRAISAL OF U. S. NATIONAL INTERESTS IN SOUTH ASIA

(Memos for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated June 2 and June 17, 1949; SANACC 360/14; NSC Action No. 224; NSC 48/2)

Report by SANACC (360/14) on the subject, and amendments proposed by the Secretary of Defense, referred by the Council at its 42nd Meeting to the NSC Staff for use in preparation of a report pursuant to NSC 48, "U. S. Policy Toward Asia", and for re-examination in light of that study (NSC 48/2) and the discussion at the meeting. After a number of staff drafts and revisions, consideration by staff assistants temporarily deferred pending further consideration of the subject by State. At the senior staff meeting on Wednesday, October 4, it was agreed that this project, among others, while not matters of priority, should be completed as rapidly as possible. Awaiting State reconsideration.

THE POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES WITH RESPECT TO THE PHILIPPINES

(NSC 84)

At the suggestion of the President, the NSC Staff was requested to prepare a report on the above subject for Council consideration. CIA Intelligence Memorandum No. 296, "Current Situation in the Philippines", furnished to Consultants and Staff on June 9; preliminary ORE 33-50, "Current Situation in the Philippines", furnished the Staff on June 27. Initial State draft circulated June 20, 1950. Views and recommendations by the JCS (NSC 84) were circulated for the information of the NSC and referred to the NSC Staff for use in the preparation of a draft report. At the senior staff meeting on Wednesday, October 4, it was agreed that this project should be completed as a matter of priority. Awaiting revision by State of its draft of June 20 in the light of the JCS views and recommendations and of the forthcoming Bell Mission report.

CURRENT NSC STAFF PROJECTS (Cont'd)

C. OTHER CURRENT NSC STAFF PROJECTS

UNITED STATES POLICY TOWARD SPAIN

(NSC 72; NSC 72/1; NSC Action No. 312; memo for NSC Consultants, subject: "The Provision of Military Aid to Spain", dated August 3, 1950; revised memo of senior NSC staff meeting, August 11, 1950)

JCS views on the subject circulated as NSC 72 for the information of the Council. State views on the subject in response to NSC 72, circulated as NSC 72/1 also for the information of the Council. At its 60th Meeting the Council discussed the subject, deferred further action until the next Council meeting, and directed the NSC Consultants to study the reference papers in preparation for further Council consideration. A memo for the President by the Secretary of Defense on "The Provision of Military Aid to Spain", referred by the President to the Executive Secretary, was circulated by the reference memo for the information and use of the NSC Consultants and Staff in connection with their study of NSC 72 and NSC 72/1. At a senior NSC staff meeting on August 11, it was agreed to reconsider our relationship with Spain on the basis of a statement of U. S. military requirements with respect to Spain. Awaiting paper by senior JCS member, scheduled for completion this week. (See also Section 2-C.)

RELEASE OF INFORMATION REGARDING NEW WEAPONS

(Memo for NSC Consultants and AEC Representative from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated July 5, 1950)

At the direction of the President, the Council and the Chairman, Atomic Energy Commission, have undertaken a consideration of the general problem of weapons information, including atomic weapons, in order to make appropriate recommendations to the President on the subject. A draft report prepared by the Executive Secretary in accordance with the discussion at a meeting on June 22, has been circulated to the NSC Staff and a representative of the AEC by the reference memo. Awaiting redraft of this report by Defense.

UNITED STATES AND ALLIED WAR OBJECTIVES IN THE EVENT OF GLOBAL WAR

(NSC 79; memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated September 6, 1950)

Memo on the subject by the JCS (NSC 79) circulated at the request of the Secretary of Defense for the information of the NSC and referred to the NSC Staff for use in the preparation of a report for Council consideration.

CURRENT NSC STAFF PROJECTS (Cont'd)

UNITED STATES AND ALLIED WAR OBJECTIVES IN THE EVENT OF GLOBAL WAR
(Cont'd)

The NSC was advised, by the reference memo, of the senior NSC staff's decision to designate an ad hoc group of specially-qualified officials to undertake preliminary work in a draft report which will include both a statement of war objectives, in the event of global war, and such related questions as a statement of the conditions that the U. S. would be willing to accept for a peaceful settlement with the USSR and its satellites. After preliminary exploration of the problem by the ad hoc group, the State Department Policy Planning Staff will prepare the first draft of a report in the light of the discussions by the ad hoc group. At the senior NSC staff meeting on Monday, October 2, 1950, it was agreed to establish November 15, 1950 as the target date for completion of a report on the subject for Council consideration. At the initial meeting of the ad hoc group under the chairmanship of the State Department member on October 6, the form and content of a response to the problems posed by NSC 79 were discussed and agreed upon. Awaiting draft by the Policy Planning Staff in the light of the discussion by the ad hoc group.

A PLAN FOR NATIONAL PSYCHOLOGICAL WARFARE

(NSC 74; memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated September 14, 1950)

In light of the divergent views with respect to NSC 74 (reference memorandum), the senior staff, at its meeting on September 15, agreed that the organization established in the Department of State pursuant to NSC 59/1 should make a further effort to reconcile those views at an early date. Awaiting report by this organization, to be presented to the senior staff this week. (See also Section 2-A.)

BERLIN BLOCKADE

(NSC 73/4, paragraph 42)

At its meeting on September 6, the senior NSC staff noted that the studies on the Berlin Blockade referred to in paragraph 42 of NSC 73/4 are being prepared in the Department of State and the JCS, for future consideration by the senior NSC staff. Awaiting JCS study, scheduled for completion this week. (See also Section 2-A, item on "Additional Airlift to Support the Far East".)

CURRENT NSC STAFF PROJECTS (Cont'd)

UNITED STATES OBJECTIVES AND PROGRAMS FOR NATIONAL SECURITY
(Annexes Nos. 1-7 to NSC 68/1)

In accordance with the agreement at the senior NSC staff meeting on Monday, October 2, 1950, the ad hoc committee on NSC 68 was directed to prepare revised recommendations relating to the programs contained in the subject annexes. At a meeting of the ad hoc committee on October 6, assignments of responsibility for revision of Annexes Nos. 1-7 were agreed upon in a schedule designed to meet the deadline of November 15. Awaiting revisions by the ad hoc committee. (See also Section 3-A.)

ORGANIZATION FOR COORDINATING NATIONAL SECURITY POLICIES AND PROGRAMS
(Annex No. 9 to NSC 68/1)

In accordance with the agreement at the senior NSC staff meeting on Monday, October 2, 1950, the Bureau of the Budget assumed responsibility for preparing a revision of the subject annex in the light of the views of the various departments and agencies. Awaiting revision by the Bureau of the Budget. (See also Section 3-A.)

THE ECONOMIC IMPLICATIONS OF THE PROPOSED PROGRAMS: REQUIRED FISCAL, BUDGETARY AND OTHER ECONOMIC POLICIES
(Annex No. 10 to NSC 68/1)

In accordance with the agreement at the senior NSC staff meeting on Monday, October 2, 1950, a special committee, consisting of officials of the Council of Economic Advisers (Chairman), the Department of the Treasury, the National Security Resources Board, the Bureau of the Budget, and Mr. Harriman's office, with the participation of other departments and agencies when appropriate, was constituted to prepare agreed recommendations regarding the subject annex. First meeting of the special committee held on Monday, October 9, at which a schedule was agreed upon for revision of this annex. (See also Section 3-A.) Awaiting recommendations by the special committee.

4. OTHER CURRENT PROJECTS

APPRAISAL OF FOREIGN ECONOMIC INTELLIGENCE REQUIREMENTS, FACILITIES AND ARRANGEMENTS RELATED TO THE NATIONAL SECURITY

(Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated February 7, 1950; NSC Action No. 282)

In approving the proposal by the Acting Chairman, NSRB, in the reference memo, the NSC directed (NSC Action No. 282) the Central Intelligence Agency, in collaboration with the Government agencies concerned, to organize and conduct a study of foreign economic intelligence requirements, facilities and arrangements related to the national security and, based on the findings of this study, to prepare for Council consideration and action a comprehensive plan for satisfying the foreign economic intelligence requirements of the national security and for a coordinated interagency effort to this end based on a definite allocation of responsibilities among the agencies concerned.

Pursuant to the President's direction, the Director of Central Intelligence was requested, on September 1, 1950, to prepare a report on the present status of this project.

On September 8, 1950, the Director of Central Intelligence reported that (a) a draft statement of requirements was undergoing internal CIA coordination to be completed by September 15, 1950; (b) preliminary surveys of Army, Navy and Air Force facilities relating to the production of economic intelligence had been received; and (c) plans in collaboration with the Bureau of the Budget were in preparation for a survey of governmental economic facilities outside the Defense Department. It was also reported that close collaboration with Budget was necessary because, when this project was assigned to CIA, Budget was already engaged in a survey of Foreign Service economic reporting and was planning a survey of the use of commodity specialists in the Government. Accordingly, CIA and Budget agreed to execute these projects jointly. The Foreign Service survey is now in draft form but the commodity specialist survey has been delayed. CIA has requested Budget to release CIA from the commitment for a joint survey in order that CIA may proceed with its project. It was also reported that NSRB representatives had participated in CIA plans pursuant to the basic directive and have been kept informed of progress to date.

On October 4, 1950, the Director of Central Intelligence reported further that the draft statement of requirements was still under internal CIA coordination and that agreement has been reached with the Bureau of the Budget for CIA to proceed with departmental surveys of facilities in consultation with the Bureau. Awaiting final report by the Central Intelligence Agency.

OTHER CURRENT PROJECTS (Cont'd)

NATIONAL MANPOWER MOBILIZATION POLICY
(NSC 77; NSC Action No. 328-b)

At its 63rd Meeting (NSC Action No. 328) the Council, the Secretary of the Treasury, and the Secretary of Labor considered a report by the Chairman, NSRB, on the subject (NSC 77) and noted the President's directive that the Chairman, NSRB, in consultation with the Departments of Defense and Labor, should develop a national manpower mobilization policy. Pursuant to the President's direction the Chairman, NSRB, was requested, on September 1, 1950, to prepare a report on the present status of this project. The Chairman, NSRB, is developing an agreed policy in consultation with the Secretaries of Defense and Labor for submission to the Council at an early date. Awaiting report by the Chairman, NSRB.

SUPPORT FOR THE VOICE OF AMERICA IN THE FIELDS OF INTELLIGENCE AND OF RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

(NSC 66; Memos for NSC from Executive Secretary, same subject, dated April 4, May 11, and September 11, 1950)

The reference report by the Secretary of State submitted by the reference memo of April 4 for consideration and memorandum action by the Council, the Secretary of the Treasury, and the Chairman, Federal Communications Commission. In accordance with the suggestion of the Secretary of State, the Secretaries of State and Defense, the Chairman, FCC, and the Director of Central Intelligence, were requested to designate representatives in advance to prepare a report for consideration by the Council, the Secretary of the Treasury, and the Chairman, FCC, in the event that the recommendations in NSC 66 were approved. The following actions have been received:

- State: Approves recommendations; designates Mr. Howland Sargeant.
- Defense: Recommends no further action by the Council until an ad hoc committee of the IAC completes its current investigation of the problem.
- Treasury: Approves recommendations.
- NSRB: Approves recommendations.
- FCC: Disapproves recommendations, with comment that there should be a re-evaluation of the entire "Voice" operations; designates Mr. Curtis B. Plummer.

OTHER CURRENT PROJECTS (Cont'd)

SUPPORT FOR THE VOICE OF AMERICA IN THE FIELDS OF INTELLIGENCE AND OF RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT (Cont'd)

CIA: Designates Mr. Ralph L. Clark, and reports on current related activities.

Defense, FCC, and CIA comments transmitted by the reference memo of May 11 for Council consideration in connection with NSC 66. The departments and agencies concerned agreed informally that this item should not be scheduled for Council consideration until the Director of Central Intelligence and the IAC had submitted recommendations in the light of the report of the ad hoc committee of the IAC referred to above. Pursuant to the President's direction, the Director of Central Intelligence was requested, on September 1, 1950, to prepare a report on the present status of this project. An interim report by the Director of Central Intelligence transmitting a "Report of the IAC Ad Hoc Committee on Soviet Jamming of the Voice of America," dated June 2, 1950, and comments thereon by the Director of Intelligence, Headquarters, USAF, has been circulated by the reference memo dated September 11, for the information of the Council, the Secretary of the Treasury, and the Chairman, FCC, pending receipt of the views of the USCIB on Recommendation three in the report of the Ad Hoc Committee.

A second interim report by the Director of Central Intelligence, dated October 3, 1950, stated that USCIB agreed to establish an ad hoc committee to consider with VOA representatives the problem of providing assistance to the VOA program to include the determination of estimates of personnel, facilities and funds required to carry out the program envisaged by the VOA; and that the military services would proceed on an interim basis with an effort to determine what assistance to the VOA could be rendered with existing facilities and personnel. Awaiting the views of the USCIB and final report by the Director of Central Intelligence.

5. DEFERRED PROJECTS

DISCUSSION OF U. S. POLICY TOWARD INTER-AMERICAN MILITARY COLLABORA-
TION

(NSC 56/2; NSC Action No. 301-b)

When adopting the reference report, the NSC agreed to discuss the subject of the report at a later date prior to the anticipated trip to Latin America of the Secretary of Defense. To be scheduled on the agenda of a future Council meeting.

6. PROJECTS CANCELLED OR REMOVED FROM STATUS REPORT

FINANCIAL PROBLEMS INVOLVED IN FRENCH REARMAMENT (NSC Action No. 362)

At a meeting of the NSC on September 29, 1950, the President authorized a special committee of the NSC, consisting of the Secretaries of State, Defense and the Treasury, and the Economic Cooperation Administrator, with the participation of Mr. Harriman, to develop the U. S. position regarding assistance to the French in solving the financial problems involved in French rearmament. At its meeting on Wednesday, October 4, the senior NSC staff agreed that this item should be removed from the Status of Projects since the special committee would be concerned primarily with matters of implementation of existing policies.

U. S. MILITARY CAPABILITIES (NSC Action No. 308-d)

By NSC Action No. 308-d the Council noted the President's agreement with a suggestion by the Secretary of State that the Department of Defense should prepare for the information of the Council a review of our military capabilities in order to indicate the extent of our freedom of choice. Pursuant to the President's direction, the Secretary of Defense was requested, on September 1, 1950, to prepare a report on the present status of this project.

At the meeting of the senior NSC staff on September 13, the staff noted the view of the Secretary of Defense that the purpose of the request for a statement of U. S. military capabilities had been met by presentation of the views of the JCS in connection with the NSC 73 Series. The staff agreed that members other than the Defense and JCS members should indicate at an early meeting whether their departments or agencies consider that additional information on this subject is required.

At the senior staff meeting on Wednesday, October 4, it was agreed, in the light of the above-mentioned view of the Secretary of Defense, that this subject will be covered in connection with the revision of NSC 68/1 rather than as a separate project. (See also Section 3A.)

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