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ECONOMIC INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE

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Control No.
EIC-M-93
15 August 1961

Minutes of Meeting Held in
Room 1121, Temporary M Building
26th Street and Constitution Avenue, N. W.

1000 hours, 15 August 1961

PRESENT:

- Dr. Otto E. Guthe, CIA, Chairman
- William A. Smith, Office of the Secretary of Defense
- John W. Easton, Joint Staff
- Bennett V. S. Davis, Department of the Navy
- Lt. Col. Robert Henderson, Department of the Air Force
- Doris S. Whitnack, Department of State
- Baxter Wood, Department of the Army
- 25X9A8 [REDACTED], National Security Agency
- Dr. Outten J. Clinard, Department of the Air Force
- Morris H. Crawford, Department of State
- Dr. Edward R. Van Sant, Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense
- 25X1A9a Jerome Forrest, International Cooperation Administration
- [REDACTED] CIA
- 25X1A9a [REDACTED], CIA
- [REDACTED], CIA
- 25X1A9a [REDACTED] Executive Secretary

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

1. The minutes of the EIC meeting ~~of 6 July and 1 August 1961~~ ^{of} ~~(EIC-M-91) and 92, respectively,~~ were approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

2. The Chairmay mentioned that the study on The Strategic Impact of the International Embargo Program on the Sino-Soviet Bloc, being prepared by the Subcommittee on Economic Defense, is proceeding accord- ing to schedule. It is anticipated that review of this report by the EIC will be undertaken during the latter part of August so as to meet the requestor's

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3. EIC-R18-S2, Vulnerability of the East German Economy to Western Countermeasures, will be disseminated shortly, as will the Survey Listing of Internal and External Economic Research Projects on the Sino-Soviet Bloc and on Selected Non-Bloc Areas (EIC-S-36).

EIC-R14-S11, "SINO-SOVIET BLOC ECONOMIC ACTIVITIES IN UNDER-DEVELOPED AREAS, 1 JANUARY - 30 JUNE 1961":

4. The EIC reviewed page-by-page the draft report of the Working Group, and a number of modifications and changes were suggested and accepted. After EIC-R14-S11 was approved, the Chairman ^{suggested} mentioned that in the next ^{name} ~~edition~~ every effort should be made to keep the coverage of the various recipient countries commensurate with their ^{the} relative importance. On behalf of the EIC, the Chairman ^{commended} complimented the members of the Working Group for their efforts in producing a superior and timely report.

5. Mr. Forrest stated that ICA has had considerable inquiry regarding information on repayment of aid by the recipient countries, and suggested that more attention be given to this matter. After general Committee discussion, ~~in which the point was made that not much information is available on the subject~~, the Chairman directed the Working Group to take cognizance of the matter and suggested that, whenever ^{sufficient} data ^{become} available, an article ~~might~~ be prepared for one of the current publications.

6. The Chairman suggested various ways ^{for shortening or reducing the} in which the 1954 to present ^{& detailing from 1954 to the present the status of projects} recapitulation table ^{initiated} in the Statistical Appendix, ^{through us} summarizing Bloc credits and grants to individual underdeveloped countries, ~~could be shortened.~~

It was the consensus of the Committee that these tables are too valuable in their present form to be drastically changed and, after considerable discussion, the Chairman directed the Working Group to explore the feasibility ^{of using mechanism in the processing of this information and} of publishing these tables separately a few weeks after the prepara-

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