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ECONOMIC INTELLIGENCE COMMITTEE

Control No. 497256
EIC-M-91
6 July 1961

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

6 July 1961, 1000 hours

PRESENT:

- 25X1A9a Dr. Otto E. Guthe, CIA, Chairman
- ████████████████████ CIA, Vice Chairman
- William A. Smith, Office of the Secretary of Defense
- John W. Easton, Joint Staff
- Col. Leo M. Braun, Department of the Air Force
- Bennett V. S. Davis, Department of the Navy
- 25X9A8 ████████████████████ National Security Agency
- Baxter Wood, Department of the Army
- Lewis M. White, Department of State
- Dr. Outten J. Clinard, Department of the Air Force
- Dr. Edward R. Van Sant, Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense
- *Jerome Forrest, International Cooperation Administration
- Paul Gekker, Federal Reserve System
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- ████████████████████ Executive Secretary

1. The Chairman introduced Col. Leo M. Braun, the Department of the Air Force representative, and his alternate, Dr. Outten J. Clinard, who were attending their first EIC meeting.

*Present for part of meeting.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

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2. The Chairman announced that Dr. Norris G. Kenny, Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense, has retired from Government service, and that a letter has been written to Dr. Kenny noting his long and valuable association with the EIC. Dr. Edward R. Van Sant has been designated to replace Dr. Kenny. It was also noted that [REDACTED] formerly of the Secretariat, had been forced to retire because of ill health.

EIC-R-18, "VULNERABILITY OF THE EAST GERMAN ECONOMY TO WESTERN COUNTERMEASURES"

3. The Chairman noted that the Task Force on Berlin, set up by the Operations Center of the State Department, will require information on the vulnerabilities of the Communist position in East Germany and our capability for exploiting these vulnerabilities. In this connection, the USIB has directed the EIC to review and update or issue an annex, as appropriate, to EIC-R-18, "Vulnerability of the East German Economy to Western Countermeasures," published in December 1960 (see USIB-M-161, 27 June 1961). The Chairman stated that there have been a variety of developments since December that should be discussed in the forthcoming annex. As a result of the requirement levied upon the Committee, the Working Group that prepared EIC-R-18 has been reactivated to prepare a draft for review by the EIC. The dissemination date to the EIC will be about 24 July, and it is hoped that the paper will be in the hands of the users by early August.

EIC-SR-5, "POPULATION OF THE COUNTRIES OF THE SINO-SOVIET BLOC, SELECTED YEARS, 1938-75"

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4. The Chairman announced that a revised version of EIC-SR-5, "Population of the Countries of the Sino-Soviet Bloc, Selected Years, 1938-75" (EIC-SR5-S1), prepared by the Subcommittee on Population and Manpower, is presently in reproduction and will be disseminated sometime this month. The Chairman proposed, and the members agreed, that the report [REDACTED]

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INTELLIGENCE STUDY OF EMBARGO CONTROLS

5. The Department of State has requested from the EIC an intelligence study of the strategic impact on the Soviet Bloc of international embargo controls. The Chairman suggested to the members that the Subcommittee on Economic Defense could very appropriately prepare the type of intelligence report that is required, and stated that he would pass on the request to the Subcommittee for preparation of a study in accordance with the agreed terms of reference prepared by Working Group I of EDAC. The study will be reviewed by the EIC and sent to the requestor by the target date of 1 September 1961.

CONSIDERATION OF EIC-R16-S2, "A SUMMARY OF THE INTERNATIONAL TRADE AND TRANSPORT OF COMMUNIST CHINA"

6. Discussion: The draft of EIC-R16-S2, approved for forwarding to the EIC by the two responsible Subcommittees, was reviewed on a page-by-page basis and a number of modifications and revisions were proposed and accepted.


7. Action: The EIC approved EIC-R16-S2 and authorized its release to the JIB's.

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Executive Secretary

SECRETARY'S NOTES:

The following documents have been approved by interim action on the dates indicated, by the EIC representatives of the USIB agencies:

1. EIC-D-469, Nomination of  as Chairman of the Subcommittee on Agriculture, 3 March 25X1A9a
2. EIC-D-476, Intelligence Support to the US Disarmament Administration, 23 May

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3. EIC -D-477, Nomination of [REDACTED] as Chairman of the Working Group on Sino-Soviet Bloc Economic Activities in Under-developed Areas, 9 June

4. EIC -D-478, Terms of Reference for SIC Study on Soviet Science and Technology, 19 June

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